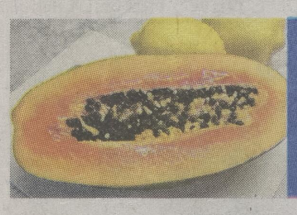

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Select Board receives memos and comments

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — The Select Board met on Tuesday, May 27 to vote on requested use of spaces and to receive memos and public comments on recently discussed issues.

Town Clerk Beth Lawrenson wrote to the board that night to inform them of the 2025 Mass Inactivation. Town Manager Eric Slagle explained that anyone who didn't return their census was made inactive as a registered voter. He established that inactive voters can still vote at future elections, but they need to bring identification with them when they vote and fill out an Affirmation of Current and Continuous Residence.

The board approved the issuing of a Sunday Entertainment License to Cushing Amusements in conjunction with the 4th of July celebration as requested. They also approved Wilmington Rotary's request to use Rotary Park for the ice bucket challenge to benefit the Angel Fund of Wakefield on Saturday Aug. 23. Slagle provided that there were no conflicts with the date or time.

The board also approved a request from a group of Wilmington High School students to place a Little Free Library at Silver Lake.

During public comment, residents discussed the Building Reuse Committee and the MBTA Communities Act.

Paul Chalifour shared that he had emailed the Select Board and town manager multiple times but still awaited their response on several matters. He then explained that his impression from attending recent Building Reuse Committee meetings was that the committee believed their charge to be limited to recommending only that each building be reused or demolished. He said that they didn't think they would be recommending a specific use of any building to the Select Board.

Chalifour also questioned how the Buzzell Senior Center in particular could be deemed surplus, as there seemed to be a gap in the process between the charge of the Building Reuse Committee and the declaration.

Another issue he found with the committee's approach was that they did not seem to be concerned with permitted uses of any site, and he felt that the permitted use of each site should be at the forefront of the conversation related to any potential use. He wanted to see potential uses reviewed, scrutinized and confirmed to be permitted before any use is pursued.

Frank West stated that the items with which the Building Reuse Committee are charged are posted on the town's website. He proposed he believed that the committee would have to clarify during the review of a particular use say whether it is currently permitted in the town bylaw.

Chalifour referenced a proposal from a "fraternal organization in town" wanting to lease the Buzzell Senior Center for use as a lodge. He shared that the Building Reuse Committee members believed that the permitted or prohibited use was up to the Select Board to comment on, and their concern was more over whether the building should be demolished or kept for reuse.

West went on to say that one of the charges of the committee is to provide a recommendation on whether spending the money to bring the building up to code for reuse is warranted. He also was under the impression that municipal uses would take precedence over any non-municipal uses.

Chalifour suggested that the Building Reuse Committee shouldn't entertain prohibited uses for the Buzzell Senior Center, and West said that they wouldn't consider those uses. Chalifour asked the town state more clearly to this organization that their proposed use is prohibited according to the town bylaw.

Slagle agreed that there may be confusion as to the charge of the Building Reuse Committee. He said he reiterated their charge which was to look at the costs for reuse or demolition and any municipal uses that the building could take on, and to return a recommendation to the Select Board as to whether it made more fiscal sense to save the building for municipal use or demolish it.

Gary DePalma agreed that members of outside organizations were wast-

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Select Board questioned about Sept. 16 ballot vote

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — The Wilmington Select Board voted to authorize early in-person voting for the Sept. 16 special election related to the MSBA project at their meeting on May 27, which brought up questions from residents during public comment.

Town Manager Eric Slagle stated at the time of the vote that night the town has approved early voting for their previous elections for years.

Resident Michelle Feeney first asked during public comment why they would have early voting for the Sept. 16 vote if that first requires the special Town Meeting vote on Sept. 13 to pass. She supposed that there would be no need for the ballot vote at all if the vote on Sept. 13 does not reach 2/3 majority.

Slagle provided that the ballot vote would still take place even if the special Town Meeting vote doesn't pass, but also that the project requires both the special Town Meeting vote and the ballot vote to pass in order to move forward.

Feeney maintained that this was not what was said at previous meetings of the Wildwood School Building Committee. Slagle disagreed, expressing that it was never said that they would cancel the scheduled ballot vote if the special Town Meeting vote fails.

"Both of these are still going to happen absolutely," he said.

Feeney asked for the dates during which early voting would take place. Slagle said that the town clerk would order the bal-

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Select Board report on new town hall parking sparks public comment

By LIZZY HILL
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — During their meeting on Tuesday May 27, the Select Board received a memo from Town Manager Eric Slagle stating that additional parking may be needed at the new town hall/school administration building during elections.

Slagle established that the efforts of the Building Reuse Committee were bringing this issue before the board and necessitating the report prepared that night. He presented to the board a breakdown of the parking spaces required for the new town hall/school administration building and the new lot capacity.

He noted that there were only 18 spaces left over for visitors and other uses after all of the parking spaces needed for staff purposes.

However, Slagle mentioned that the town clerk calculated that for state elections planned to take place at the new town hall/school administration building, they needed an additional 75-100 spaces above the required spaces for employee parking. He supposed that the Buzzell Senior Center property may not be deemed surplus because they would need its parking spaces for town elections taking place at the new building.

Gary DePalma asked how many more parking spaces could be created if the building was torn down. Slagle answered that this would only provide about 20 or 25 additional parking spaces.

Kevin Caira suggested instead that if the 40 parking spots at the Buzzell Senior Center were included in the count, there were 324 parking spots total between that and the 284 spaces on the lower lot. Then, to subtract 266 parking spaces in use, there would be 58 parking spots for visitors on election day. If that still wasn't enough, he also proposed that they hold some of the student parking spots for voters on the dates of elections.

Caira also stated that while the property may not be counted as surplus, the building could be ruled surplus. He added that there may be room for all precincts to vote at the senior center if they had overflow parking at Parish of the Transfiguration.

Lilia Maselli asked if the town would be allowed to prohibit the use of the Buzzell property on election day for parking even if it were leased.

Slagle merely restated that they were saying they need the upper lot parking for elections and this would constitute a municipal use, so they wouldn't declare it surplus. He also said that there may not be sufficient room for all precincts to vote instead at the senior center, but the town clerk could evaluate it to make sure.

Chair Frank West asked if they needed to expand the student lot. He commented that it seemed strange to identify this issue halfway into building the new building. Slagle answered that the plans for the new building may have assumed that the Buzzell Senior Center would be demolished to make room for extra parking.

West also claimed that some high school students park at the lower lot of the Wilmington Memorial Library. Slagle said he wasn't aware of that being the case.

Caira added that the number of parking spaces for the new building was discussed throughout the planning stages, and they increased the parking at a certain point.

During public comment, Candace Jenkins asked how the planning for the new town hall building miscalculated the required number of parking spots. Slagle replied that it was not miscalculated, but they created as much parking as they possibly could in the area.

Jenkins then asked if they assumed that the Buzzell Senior Center's 40 parking spaces would be part of the new building's lot. Slagle confirmed this to be the case.

Jenkins also asked what they would do to obtain the additional parking spaces required as specified by the town clerk. Caira clarified that this would only be applicable during state elections, and if they need to pursue voting at the new town hall/administration building, they would block off the student parking lot at the high school for that day.

Jenkins wondered if the first expansion of the parking lot closer to the

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48th Antique Fire Apparatus Parade and Show moves to North Reading due to scheduling conflict

By HEATHER BURNS
News Correspondent

NORTH READING — On Saturday, June 14, 2025, The Massachusetts Antique Fire Apparatus Association will hold their 48th Anniversary Antique Fire Apparatus Parade and Show.

In prior years, this event was held at the Shriners Auditorium in Wilmington, but due to scheduling conflicts, this year's event will be held at the nearby All People Church, located at 99 Concord St. in North Reading.

The Mass Antique Fire Apparatus Association was founded as a group in 1977 as a local chapter of the Society for the Preservation and Appreciation of Antique Motorized Fire Apparatus in America (SPAAMFAA). The main chapter is located in Syracuse, NY, and the purpose of this organization is to promote and preserve Antique Motorized Fire Apparatus.

The MAFAA board is expecting 50 pieces of fire equipment to participate in the parade from all over Massachusetts and

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Arthur Demoulas once again out at Market Basket

By PAIGE IMPINK
News Correspondent

WILMINGTON — In a scene reminiscent of the summer of 2014 when Market Basket CEO Arthur T. Demoulas was fired by his cousin, the Demoulas family and their grocery empire is again making headlines.

In an announcement made last week, Justine Griffin, a spokesperson for Arthur T. Demoulas, stated, "Today, Mr. Arthur T. Demoulas was ousted from his position as president and CEO of Market Basket by his three sisters and their three appointed board members — Jay Hachigian, Steven Collins, and Michael Keyes."

Arthur Demoulas' daughter, Madeline; son, Telemachus; and several other Market Basket executives were also placed on leave.

The statement went on to say, "Under Mr. Demoulas' leadership in December of 2024, the company paid off $1.6 billion in debt that financed the purchase of the company in 2014. The company is currently operating at its peak performance and the notion that this board is going to conduct an investigation is a farcical cover for a hostile takeover."

The 90-store grocery chain has roots in Lowell, where the business was started by Greek immigrants in the early 1920s. Through many iterations and family owners, the chain grew.

Brothers Telemachus and George coined the phrase "More for Your Dollar," a customer and corporate mantra that persists today. The company, which is known for being incredibly loyal and supportive of its employees, offering profit sharing and flexible employment, transitioned from Demoulas to Market Basket in 1975.

Its headquarters and one of several distribution centers are located on East Street in Tewksbury. Other distribution centers are located in Andover, and stores are located across Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Maine, and Rhode Island. The company also maintains a large real estate operation.

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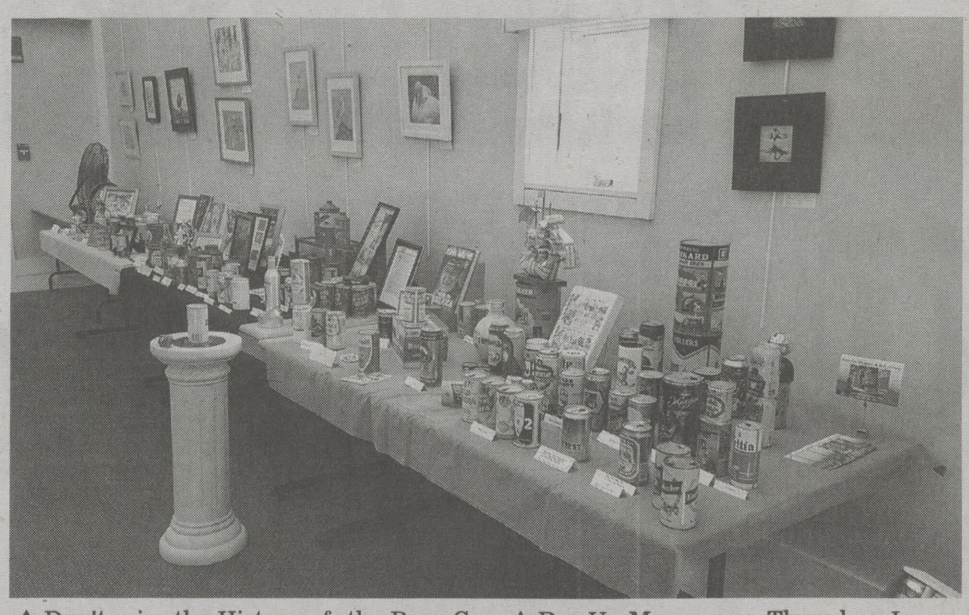
Wilmington Library News:

History of the beer can: a pop-up museum coming June 12



▲ Don't miss the History of the Beer Can: A Pop-Up Museum on Thursday, June 12 at 6:30 p.m. Come learn about the history and art of beer cans while enjoying trivia and door prizes from this one of a kind regional collection!

(Courtesy photo)

Adult Programs

Drop-in Tech Help

Tuesday, June 10, 2 p.m.
Wednesday, June 11, 2 p.m.
Thursday, June 12, 2 p.m.
Saturday, June 14, 2 p.m.

Have a tech question that's been bugging you? Stop by Drop-in Tech Help.

Needleworkers at Night

Monday, June 9, 6-8 p.m.

These nighttime sessions are perfect for anyone who does any kind of needle craft but can't make it to Needleworkers during the day! Drop-in.

Streaming Services and Other Alternatives to Cable

Monday, June 9, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Come join Technology Librarian Brad McKenna as he presents alternatives to cable such as Netflix and the library. While not all free, the alternatives will save you quite a bit of money every month.

Cookin' the Books

Tuesday, June 10, 12 p.m.

If you love to cook and enjoy talking about food and sharing recipes, then this group is for you! Grab a copy of the cookbook, register on the library's event calendar, and record your recipe. Bring your dish to the meeting and enjoy sampling everyone's dishes! Featured Cookbook: What to Cook When You Don't Feel Like Cooking by Caroline Chambers.

Craft & Chat

Wednesday, June 11, 6-8 p.m.

Enjoy making a craft while socializing with others! This craft group is held by longtime crafter Rachelle Toth. All craft supplies will be provided.

Fun & Function of iPhone

Thursday, June 12, 2:30 p.m.

Whether you're new to the iPhone or looking to unlock its hidden potential, this session will cover essential tips, tricks, and features to make your device both practical and enjoyable.

History of the Beer Can: A Pop-Up Museum

Thursday, June 12, 6:30-8 p.m.

Curator Kevin Logan will bring an impressive assortment of cans from The Beer Can Museum in Southeastern MA including novelty cans, tv and movie props, and more. In this presentation you'll enjoy the history, art, and humor of beer cans with a focus on local breweries.

Needleworkers

Friday, June 13, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

This is a social group for those who do any kind of needle craft. Bring your knitting, crocheting, quilting, etc. and enjoy conversation and camaraderie. Drop-in.

Youth Programs

Bilingual Story Hour

Monday, June 9, 10 a.m.

Practice using your home language or learn a new language with the Community Teamwork Family Resource Network! Ages 0-6.

Graphic Novel Book Club

Monday, June 9, 6 p.m.

Graphic novel readers unite! Join our book club to discuss our book of the month, eat snacks, and vote on the next selection. This month's graphic novel: Lunch Lady and the Video Game Villian by Jarrett Krosoczka. Grades 3-5

DnD 101 for Teens

Tuesday, June 10, 6 p.m.

New players who wish to join our library campaign (or who just want to learn about the world's most popular roleplaying game) should attend our 101 sessions, held monthly. Grades 6-12.

Book Making Club for Grades 1-3

Wednesday, June 11, 4 p.m.

Over a 6-part weekly series, young book makers will explore different styles, mediums and book types for developing characters, narrative voice, plot and more! Grades 1-3

Playful Pathways: Parent Book Club

(VIRTUAL)

Wednesday, June 11, 7 p.m.

This monthly book club will cover the 7 essential life skills featured in Ellen Galinsky's book, The Mind in the Making. Because this event will be held via Zoom, children are welcome to be in attendance. Recommended for parents and caregivers of children ages 0-5

Playful Pathways: Garden Time

Thursday, June 12, 11 a.m.

During our Time Unit, observe how flowers, fruits and veggies grow over time in a garden and even plant your own seeds to take home! Ages 0-5

Crafternoon

Thursday, June 12, 3:45 p.m.

Make a fun craft with us during Crafternoon! This month we'll be making customizable pom poms. Grades 4-8

Music with Dara

Friday, June 13, 10 a.m.

With keyboard, felt board, and finger puppets, Dara weaves songs (old and new favorites) and creative movement for a fun-filled musical program! Ages 2-5, siblings welcome

Switch It Up! Video Game Club

Friday, June 13, 3:45 p.m.

Love video games? Come to this once-a-month video game club to play Switch games with friends! Grades 1-5

Teen Dnd

Saturday, June 14, 2 p.m.

Looking for a group to play with? Join us for in-person Dungeons and Dragons at the library. You may also participate on Discord, a private server. Grades 6-12

Additional Information

Gear Up for Summer Reading at WML

The Summer Reading Program is quickly approaching! Register and log your reading online at *wilmlibrary.beanstack.org* or grab a paper log at the library. Throughout the summer you can collect prizes and raffle tickets by reading and completing activities. This year's theme is Level Up at Your Library, running from June 23 to Aug. 13.

Save the Date: Author Talk with Jarrett J. Krosoczka

Join author Jarrett J. Krosoczka on July 22nd at 6pm, as he shares his popular books, including kid's graphic novel series, Lunch Lady and teen graphic memoir, Hey, Kiddo, with a live drawing demo, Q&A, book signing, and meet-and-greet. This event is for all ages and will be held at the Wilmington Senior Center.

Check Out Our Library of Things This Summer

Did you know Wilmington Memorial Library circulates more than just books? Check out our Adult, Teen and Youth Library of Things for fun and useful items to use this summer. Items include: a pickleball set, disc gold, lawn games, volleyball and badminton, a tent and much more! See what's available at *https://wilmlibrary.org/lot/*.

Book Store Next Door

Regular hours are back at The Book Store Next Door! The bookstore is open Wednesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Museum Passes

The library has discounted passes to your favorite Massachusetts museums, attractions, and state parks. Find the full list by visiting *www.wilmlibrary.org/services/mp*.

WML In-Person & Virtual Programming

Registration is required for most in-person programs and is required for all virtual programs, as you will need to register in order to receive the Zoom link. You can register on our website at *www.wilmlibrary.org* or by calling (978) 658-2967.

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CARNIVAL OPENS THURSDAY, JUNE 26TH AT 5PM

TIMES	EVENT
5PM - 8PM	WILMINGTON NIGHT
5PM - 8PM	CONCERT SERIES KICKOFF JOHNNY MALONE ★SPONSORED BY CUSHING EVENTS★
5PM	COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES ★PRESENTED BY WILMINGTON MEMORIAL LIBRARY★
6:30PM	THE GREAT WILMINGTON PIE BAKE OFF WITH CELEBRITY JUDGES Register in advance in the Fourth of July HQ
5PM - 8PM	DINNER ON THE COMMON MEXICAN FARE ★PRESENTED BY PANCHO'S CANTINA★

THURSDAY JUNE 26TH

TIMES	EVENT
5PM - 9PM	CARNIVAL Buy ride credits online: cushingamusements.com
5PM - 6:30PM	DINNER ON THE COMMON $8 Hamburger, hot dog, baked beans, chips, cookie & lemonade ★PRESENTED BY THE WILMINGTON ROTARY CLUB★
5PM - 9PM	CONCERT SERIES MISCHIEF MILE ★SPONSORED BY MONOGRAM FOODS★
6PM	ANTIQUE CAR SHOW WHS PARKING LOT ★SPONSORED BY THE STREET ROD CLUB★
6:30PM	FIRECRACKER 5K & FAMILY FUN RUN REGISTER AT HTTP://GETMEREGISTERED.COM/WILMAFIRECRACKER $35 Entrance Fee - Registration includes professional timing, shirt, prizes finish line refreshments!

FRIDAY JUNE 27TH

TIMES	EVENT
5PM - 10:30PM	CARNIVAL Buy ride credits online: cushingamusements.com
5PM - 7PM	DINNER ON THE COMMON $11 Meatball sub, chips, dessert & drink ★PRESENTED BY THE WILMINGTON SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF ITALY★
5PM - 8:30PM	CONCERT SERIES JOE LEARY, TRUSTFALL & REDLINE ★SPONSORED BY BELANGER & SONS★
6:30PM	LADIES 2 MILE WALK Sign up in the 4th of July HQ
9:15PM	WILMINGTON LASER SPECTACULAR TOWN COMMON An immersive experience for all ages. RAIN DATE: SATURDAY, 6/28

SATURDAY JUNE 28TH

FAMILY DAY - SEE SEPARATE SCHEDULE FOR LIST OF ACTIVITIES!

TIMES	EVENT
8AM - 9:30AM	BREAKFAST ON THE COMMON $7 French toast, sausage, fruit & oj ★PRESENTED BY THE DANCE COMPANY★
8:30AM - 11AM	DJ & KIDS' ACTIVITIES
9AM - NOON	FAMILY DAY ACTIVITIES PLEASE SEE SEPARATE SCHEDULE ★SPONSORED BY WAYNE'S DRAINS★
12PM - 3PM	CONCERT SERIES CLUB MADISON ★SPONSORED BY LOWELL FIVE BANK★
12PM - 1PM	COMMUNITY COOKOUT $3 Hot dog, chips, cookie & drink ★PRESENTED BY TREMEZZO RISTORANTE★
1PM - 10:30PM	CARNIVAL Family Day Wristband $35 - Unlimited Ride Special from 1pm-5pm. Purchase at Carnival
6PM - 10PM	CONCERT SERIES THE RUSTY RANDOMS ★SPONSORED BY CMS PLUMBING & HEATING★
5PM - 6:30PM	DINNER ON THE COMMON $12 Chicken Sandwich - BBQ, cheddar cheese, lettuce, tomato, onion, chips & garden salad ★PRESENTED BY RED HEAT TAVERN★
6PM	CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT SINGLE ELIMINATION Sign up in the 4th of July HQ
9PM	FAMILY DAY FIREWORKS Multiple shuttle bus stops available, visit wilmingtoncelebrates.com ★SPONSORED BY WAYNE'S DRAINS★

SUNDAY JUNE 29TH

TIMES	EVENT
8AM - 9:30AM	BREAKFAST ON THE COMMON $6 Pancakes with syrup, sausage, OJ, milk & coffee and black powder for courage ★PRESENTED BY THE WILMINGTON MINUTEMEN★
10AM - 1PM	WILMINGTON FARMERS MARKET ON THE COMMON View market lineup at wilmingtonfarmersmarket.com
10AM	KIDS' ENTERTAINMENT ★PRESENTED BY THE WILMINGTON FARMERS MARKET★
2PM - 10:30PM	CARNIVAL Buy ride credits online: cushingamusements.com
3:30PM - 6PM	CONCERT SERIES WINDHAM COMMUNITY BAND ★SPONSORED BY DANDI'S ICE CREAM★
6:30PM - 10PM	CONCERT SERIES RUN FOR COVERS ★SPONSORED BY ANALOG DEVICES★
8PM	OPENING CEREMONIES A tribute to those who have served
9:30PM	SPECTACULAR FIREWORKS RAIN DATE: MONDAY, 6/30 Multiple shuttle bus stops available, visit wilmingtoncelebrates.com ★SPONSORED BY ANALOG DEVICES★

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by Todd Brisbois

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The Employer-Provided Childcare Tax Credit is an incentive for businesses to provide childcare services to their employees. This tax credit helps employers cover some costs for childcare resource and referral and for a qualified childcare facility. A qualified childcare facility is one that meets the requirements of all laws and regulations of the state or local government in which it is located. The credit is worth up to $150,000 per year to offset 10% of qualified childcare resource and referral costs and 25% of qualified childcare facility costs.

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Qualified childcare costs are:

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- Operating expenses paid by the business, including amounts paid to support childcare workers through training, scholarship programs and providing increased compensation to employees with higher levels of childcare training.
- Qualified resource and referral costs which include amounts paid or incurred under a contract with a qualified childcare facility to provide childcare services to employees of the taxpayer.

How to claim the credit: Employers should complete Form 8882, Credit for Employer-Provided Childcare Facilities and Services, to claim the credit. The credit is part of the general business credit subject to the carryback and carryforward rule. This means employers may carryback unused credit one year and then carryforward 20 years after the year of the credit. Taxpayers whose only source for the credit is from pass-through entities can report the credit directly on Form 3800, General Business Credit.

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8:30 - NOON	TRAVEL'N DJ SOUNDS
9AM	ASSEMBLE FOR DOLL CARRIAGE, BIKE & SCOOTER PARADE Patriotic Decorations Highly Encouraged!
9:15AM	OPENING CEREMONIES
	HULA HOOP & CHILDREN'S DANCES CONTEST
	CHEERLEADERS PERFORMANCE
10AM - 1PM	TRAIN RIDES ON THE TRACKLESS TRAIN ★SPONSORED BY LIDDELL PLUMBING & HEATING★
10AM - NOON	PETTING ZOO ★SPONSORED BY EAVES WILMINGTON★
10:15AM	FAMILY FUN MAGIC SHOW
	FACE PAINTING ★SPONSORED BY ATLANTIC DENTAL ARTS★
	BALLOON ANIMALS
10:45AM	THREE-LEGGED RACE
11AM	WATER BALLOON TOSS
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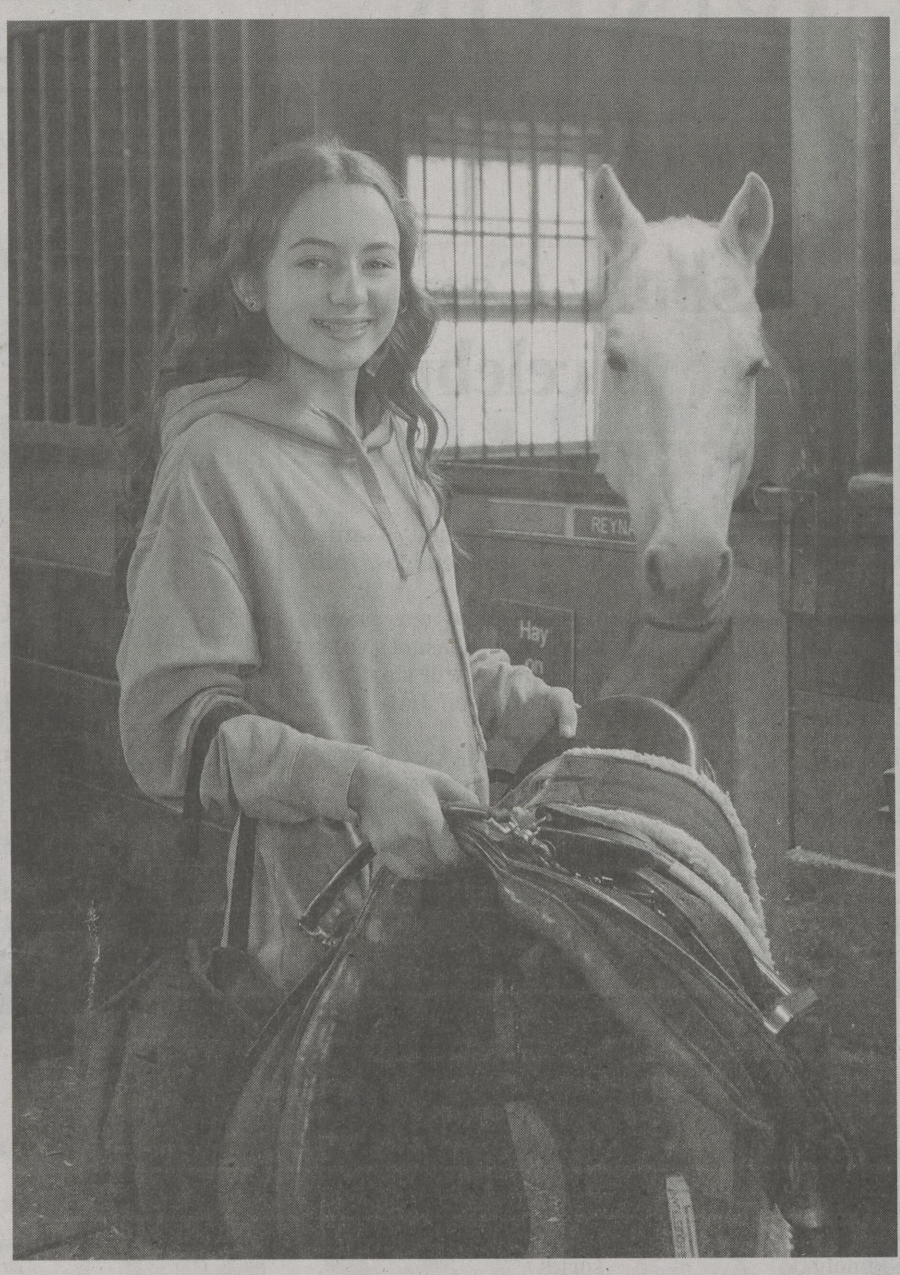
Letter Carriers Food Drive provides plenty of canned goods for Tewksbury Food Pantry

▲ Volunteers gathered at the Tewksbury Food Pantry to sort donations collected during the annual Letter Carriers Food Drive. Thousands of pounds of goods were donated to support local families.

(Rosalyn Impink photos)

Love horses? Windrush Farm looking for volunteers



NORTH ANDOVER — If you love horses and have horse experience, then Windrush Farm, in North Andover, would love to hear from you!

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If interested, please contact *volunteer@windrushfarm.org*

About Windrush Farm:

Founded in 1964, Windrush Farm is located on the North Andover/Boxford line. Windrush offers high-quality equine-assisted services to children and adults facing physical, cognitive, and emotional challenges.

Windrush is one of the oldest, and largest therapeutic riding centers in the United States. Windrush also offers recreational riding lessons.

For more information about Windrush Farm, please visit *windrushfarm.org*

Strong Hearts, Strong Minds gala hosted by Strongwater Farm

TEWKSBURY — Strongwater Farm Therapeutic Equestrian Center announced that it will host its first Strong Hearts, Strong Minds, Strongwater Gala on Sept. 18, 2025 at Vesper Country Club in Tyngsboro.

The Gala will honor Sue Wahr and celebrate the memory of Dave Wahr, leaders in the growth and developmter Farm, a 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to providing world-class equestrian therapy to individuals with intellectual and emotional challenges.

Co-chairs Bob and Didi LaRochelle invite the community to join with them to honor Sue and Dave Wahr and to support the important work of Strongwater Farm.

"Strongwater Farm harnesses the power of horses to heal," said Martha Gaffney, Board President of Strongwater Farm. "Our 16 horses and talented therapists helped nearly 700 people last year working through challenges ranging from veterans with PTSD, to individuals with Autism, to people with substance use disorders. Sue and Dave worked tirelessly over the last two decades to build our program so that more and more individuals can receive treatment. We are thankful to them for their vision and dedication. We are also tremendously grateful to Bob and Didi LaRochelle for co-chairing this important fundraiser. Their friendship with the Wahr family spanned many years, and their dedication to our community knows no bounds."

About Strongwater Farm:

Last year, in our tranquil setting, we completed over 4,200 service hours. Conducted by PATH Certified and ESMHL and CTRI certified instructors, we delivered programs and services involving a variety of equine-assisted activities, including: Equine Assisted Learning and Equine Assisted Psychotherapy; observing and interacting with our specially-trained horses; learning to use various pieces of tack and other equipment; and grooming and caring of the horses.

About Dave and Sue Wahr:

Dave and Sue Wahr are long-time supporters of Strongwater. Dave joined the board and became board president in 2013 and served as president through 2018. During his tenure, he has overseen the improvement of Strongwater's administrative capabilities including the addition of full-time staff and new accounting and pay-roll systems.

He managed the planning and construction of the new arena which was completed in the fall of 2020. They have been generous financial supporters of Strongwater.

Regional economic plan released for public comment

LOWELL — The Northern Middlesex Council of Governments (NMCOG) is proudly announcing that Greater Lowell Stronger Together, the 2025-2030 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy, is available for public review and comment. This plan provides a blueprint for NMCOG, its member communities, and public and private sector partners to work together to target investments to enhance the region's economy.

Through a partnership with the United States Department of Commerce, Economic Development Administration (EDA), NMCOG and its consultant, Fourth Economy Consulting, interviewed nearly 70 business leaders, public officials, and nonprofit experts in a listening tour to better understand the region's economic strengths, opportunities, and aspirations.

The team then held the first Greater Lowell Economic Summit last March at UKG in Lowell, bringing together roughly 80 participants, including members of the public, economic experts, and stakeholders. This discussion, along with economic data and analysis, informed the four strategic pillars of the plan:

- Creating Economic Development Capacity
- Developing Strong Places and Towns
- Leveraging Signature Opportunities
- Building Infrastructure to Support Workers and Residents

"This plan wouldn't have been possible without extensive cooperation of so many partners," said Jennifer Raitt, NMCOG Executive Director. "We are confident that it will not only be a framework for funding priorities, but also a guide to working even more closely together to create positive economic outcomes for the region."

The draft is open to public comment until June 30, 5 p.m. The public comment form, including a link to download the plan, is available at *https://www.nmcog.org/strongertogether.*

About the Northern Middlesex Council of Governments

NMCOG is one of thirteen regional planning agencies within Massachusetts. Formed under Chapter 40B of the Massachusetts General Laws, NMCOG serves the municipalities of Billerica, Chelmsford, Dracut, Dunstable, Lowell, Pepperell, Tewksbury, Tyngsborough, and Westford to support and enhance a wide range of planning objectives related to land use, environmental protection and resiliency, economic development, housing, municipal service delivery, and transportation.

NMCOG's professional staff assist member communities in designing, facilitating, and implementing programs and planning initiatives which further the interests of the overall region. NMCOG staff also serve as staff to the Northern Middlesex MPO, to which they provide comprehensive transportation planning services for the region under contract with the Massachusetts Department of Transportation.

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June 5

Tewksbury Comm. Market to celebrate opening day

TEWKSBURY — The Tewksbury Community Market is set to begin its 2025 season at Livingston Street Park (288 Livingston St.), behind the Recreation Center, on Thursday, June 5, 2025, from 4 to 7 p.m.

The June 5 market will feature 36 vendors, including:

FOOD TRUCKS:

- Beefie Boys (roast beef sandwiches, chicken sandwiches, burgers, chicken fingers, fries)
- Cupcake City (gourmet cupcakes)
- Eggroll Café (eggrolls, bubble tea)
- Kona Ice (flavored shaved ice)
- Old Mill House Coffee (coffee)
- The Stand (fresh squeezed lemonade)
- Thwaites Market (small meat pies)

FOOD VENDORS:

- Bittersweet Herb Farm (jams, oils, balsamic vinegar, seasonings, finishing sauces)
- BitzNPeace Farm (fresh vegetables, maple syrup, eggs, plants, flowers)
- Black Sheep Craft Ice Cream (craft ice cream in pints & half pints)
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- Demi Doux Soda (low-sugar soda)
- Drive-By Pies (sweet & savory pies, pastries)
- Farmer Palmer (garlic products)
- F-Word Farm (craft vinegar)
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- Roma's Bakery (bread, pies, pastries, cookies)
- Seafood Express (fresh & frozen prepared seafood)
- Sophie's Apples (candy apples)
- Stag and Clover (loose leaf teas, tinctures, salves, wellness products)
- Tewksbury Honey (honey & honey related products)
- Tewksbury Public Library Community Garden (organic vegetables, fruit, flowers)

Please note our largest farm — Pleasant Valley Gardens — will start with the market on June 12.

ARTISANS & CRAFTERS:

- Bracelets By Meliss (handmade bracelets, necklaces, earrings, keychains)
- Henna Artistry (henna tattoos, face painting)
- J.A. Woodworking (handcrafted wooden items, including cutting boards & charcuterie boards)
- KC StYleS (jewelry, scarves, hair bows, headbands, beaded keychains, DIY kits)
- Kidz Kouture (headbands & hairbows)
- Kona K9 (dog accessories)
- Lovely Essence (soy wax candles)
- Magnolias (plants & macramé)
- MikeySoph Creations (tumblers, keychains, bookmarks, Tewksbury items)
- Soak It In Artisan Soap (soaps, bath products, cosmetics)

COMMUNITY GROUPS:

- Tewksbury Open Space Committee

The Tewksbury Community Market runs from 4 to 7 p.m. every Thursday in June, July, August and September (minus June 19 and July 3). Please note the Market has more than 70 vendors and its lineup changes from week to week.

Visit the Tewksbury Community Market's website at *www.tewksburymarket.com* to learn more. Follow the Tewksbury Community Market's Facebook (*@TewksburyMarket*), Twitter/X (*@Tewksbury Market*), and Instagram (*@TewksburyCommunity Market*) for additional market updates throughout the season.

Have a question about the market? Contact Community/Economic Development Planner Alex Lowder at 978-640-4370 x 248 or *alowder@tewksbury-ma.gov* and Community Outreach Librarian Robert Hayes at 978-640-4490 x 205 or *rhayes@tewksburypl.org*.

Former Gov. Dukakis and others gather to honor former Mass. First Lady Kitty Dukakis

Recently, the Massachusetts Senate adjourned in memory of former Massachusetts first lady Kitty Dukakis, honoring her legacy of public service and advocacy. Former Governor Michael Dukakis and son John Dukakis joined legislators in the Senate Chamber to pay tribute to Mrs. Dukakis' enduring impact on the Commonwealth and beyond. Senator Barry Finegold is pictured here welcoming Governor Dukakis to the senate, alongside Senate President Karen Spilka.

(Courtesy photo)

75 percent of MBTA communities approve multi-family districts to create more housing

BOSTON — As of this week, 75 percent of the 177 communities with an MBTA station or near a community with a station have approved multifamily zoning in compliance with the MBTA Communities Law. Now totaling 133 cities and towns, the zoning changes by these municipalities are expected to open up new multifamily housing that will address the state's housing shortage and help lower costs across Massachusetts. The 35 communities designated as adjacent small towns have until Dec. 31 to submit new zoning to the state.

More than 4,000 new homes are already being built under MBTA Communities zoning with more on the way, as a wave of additional communities successfully approved zoning measures at town meetings this spring. The Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities continues to review district applications and has determined 91 to be compliant or conditionally compliant.

This momentum is due to the strong collaboration between the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities (EOHLC) and cities and towns to help them comply with the law. For example, after months of hard work and partnership, the Town of Milton recently submitted an action plan in line with Rapid Transit Community requirements that was approved by EOHLC and brought them into interim compliance with the law.

Additionally, Gloucester was recently deemed compliant after working with the administration to validate their plans, and the state provided technical support to Ipswich in its successful effort to adopt zoning.

"Cities and towns across the state are saying yes to housing, which will lower costs and create more opportunities for families to stay in the communities where they work or are raising their kids," said Governor Maura Healey. "The fact that 75 percent of communities are in compliance with the law is a testament to the hard work of our team at the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities to work directly with cities and towns to help them address their unique needs and put forward successful plans. In particular, I want to congratulate Secretary Augustus and his team and town officials in Milton for their efforts to reach interim compliance. We look forward to this continued partnership with communities as we work together to build more reasonably-priced housing across the state."

"We're proud to support our municipalities as they work to successfully implement the MBTA Communities Law, which is why we've reduced barriers with critical resources like the MBTA Communities Catalyst Fund," said Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll. "This law is working and has already added 4,000 units to our housing pipeline. We're excited to continue this momentum and lower housing costs for Massachusetts residents."

"Massachusetts communities are full of hard-working people trying to build their futures here, which is why the Healey-Driscoll Administration is focused on creating and preserving housing that is stable, affordable and accessible to everyone," said Housing and Livable Communities Secretary Ed Augustus. "The MBTA Communities law is working and will continue to put cities and towns across the commonwealth on a path to providing the housing their residents want and need."

Earlier this year, the Healey-Driscoll Administration awarded $8.7 million in MBTA Communities Catalyst Funds to 10 fully compliant MBTA communities. The fund was established to recognize the progress cities and towns across the state are making to develop housing in the new multifamily districts and provide competitive grant awards to support housing creation. The funds can be utilized to improve or expand critical infrastructure or to acquire land for development.

Local zoning barriers are one contributing factor to high housing costs in Massachusetts, limiting the supply of new housing relative to demand and increasing overall housing costs. In a Mass INC poll released earlier this month, an overwhelming consensus — 95 percent of respondents — said the cost of renting or buying a home in Massachusetts is a problem. The majority of those polled supported building more housing in their own neighborhoods and supported policy initiatives that make it easier to build more housing and offer a greater variety of housing types across the state.

MBTA Communities Law Background

The MBTA Communities Law (Section 3A of the state Zoning Act) was passed near-unanimously by a bipartisan Legislature in 2021 with the intention of removing exclusionary zoning barriers to housing production. The law requires 177 communities that are served by an MBTA station or are near a community with a station to create a zoning district of reasonable size in which multifamily housing is permitted as of right. It does not require development.

Multifamily district design is a locally controlled process. More information on community categories, deadlines, and zoning requirements can be found here.

Students named to Dean's List at Rivier

NASHUA, NH — Rivier University recognized 513 full-time undergraduate students on the Dean's List. To qualify, students must have completed at least 12 graded credit hours as full-time students and achieved a semester grade-point average of 3.5 or higher.

A complete list of spring 2025 Dean's List selections from Tewksbury and Wilmington reads as follows:

- **Ayla Biscan — Wilmington**
- **Brianna Candor — Tewksbury**
- **Danielle Grabowski — Wilmington**
- **Kyle McHugh — Tewksbury**
- **Isabella Mirisola — Tewksbury**
- **Kasey Saunders — Tewksbury**
- **Ashley Talbot — Tewksbury**

'It's quite nice to be ordinary on the outside'

The June Book Stew originates from 18 hours and one day ahead, as host Eileen MacDougall introduces viewers and listeners to New Zealand-based author Rachel Paris and her debut novel, See How They Fall.

In this story, reminiscent of White Lotus and Succession, death at the sumptuous family compound of the Turners is investigated by detective Mei O'Connor, whose work and home life are in turmoil and whose professional skills are challenged by her male cohort.

Check out this new Book Stew episode on WCTV on Tuesdays at 1 p.m., Wednesdays at 8 p.m., Friday at 7 p.m., and Saturdays at noon. Or click on the links and enjoy!

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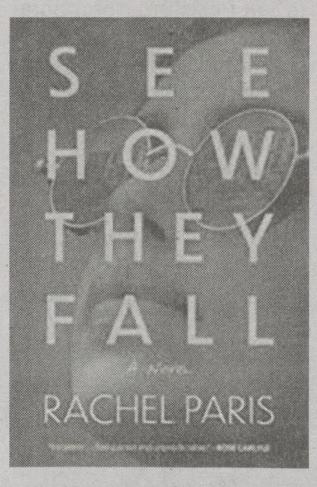

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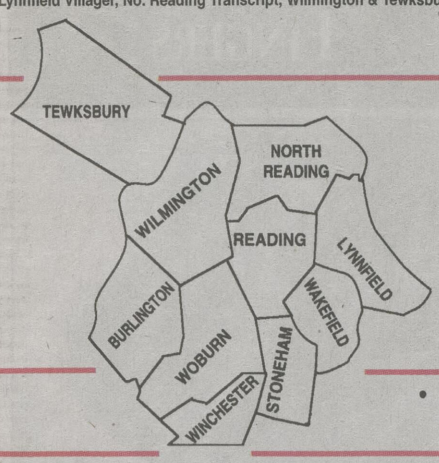

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Town has never passed a Proposition 2-1/2 operating override

Override talk dominates Stoneham politics...again

By PATRICK BLAIS

With Town Meeting dipping into reserve funds to avert a financial whirlwind that threatened to wreak mayhem to pivotal municipal and school services, town officials in Stoneham warn they've only delayed the inevitable by 12-months at most.

But with the town's electorate defeating a $14.6 million override question in April that would have stabilized the community's finances for at least the next three years, members of the Select Board, School Committee, and Finance Board will spend a least the next few months regrouping and soliciting input from residents about how much of a tax increase they'd be willing to sanction.

At risk is the very future of Stoneham's Public Library and Senior Center, which Select Board members have warned will be forced to close their doors next summer should voters not pass a Proposition 2 and 1/2 override before the end of the FY'26 fiscal year.

"Next year, if we don't have an override, the library and señor center will close," warned Select Board member Raymie Parker during a Town Hall meeting last month. "There's a lot of uncertainty for a lot of our residents out there and I want to do this right...We need to take a bit to figure out who, what, where, when and why and what went wrong."

Come FY'27, Massive cuts and layoffs will also likely be foisted upon the school district, which besides potentially needing millions of dollars to settle new contract negotiations with educators, is likely to be facing a operating budget shortfall of at least $4 million next year.

Notably, Stoneham's School Committee, though still instituting some $2.1 million in cuts to its FY'26 budget, otherwise avoided the elimination of some 19 staffing positions thanks to Town Meeting's last minute influx of some $2.4 million in funding to the district's FY'26 budget.

Town officials say due to soaring health insurance costs and other negotiated salary increases pledged to municipal workers, it too will struggle again in FY'27 to absorb those cost drivers within the confines of the state's Proposition 2 and 1/2 law, which prevents communities from increasing the year-over-year tax levy by more than 2.5 percent.

Unlike debt exclusions, which are temporary tax hikes sought to cover the cost of major construction projects, operating budget overrides result in permanent real-estate tax increases.

Override resistance

Given that Stoneham's voters have not ever passed an operating budget override, the future looks quite bleak for the small bedroom community that spent much of the early 2000s wrestling with a series of structural budget deficits that led to a previous round of mass layoffs in service reductions across the community.

At the height of that previous financial crisis in 2007, town officials asked voters to pass a $3 million Proposition 2 and 1/2 override to plug a budget deficit that would have caused the layoffs of eight police officers and firefighters, the closure of part of the district's middle school and the eradication of all K-8 arts programs, the end of the school district's varsity sports program, and major cuts at the senior center and library that would essentially force managers in both buildings to reduce operations to a part-time basis.

The real-estate tax hike would have reportedly at the time cost the typical town homeowner around $370. By contrast the tax increase sought by town officials in April, which represented the largest Proposition 2 and 1/2 override ever sought in Massachusetts, would have cost the average single-family household about $1,684 a year.

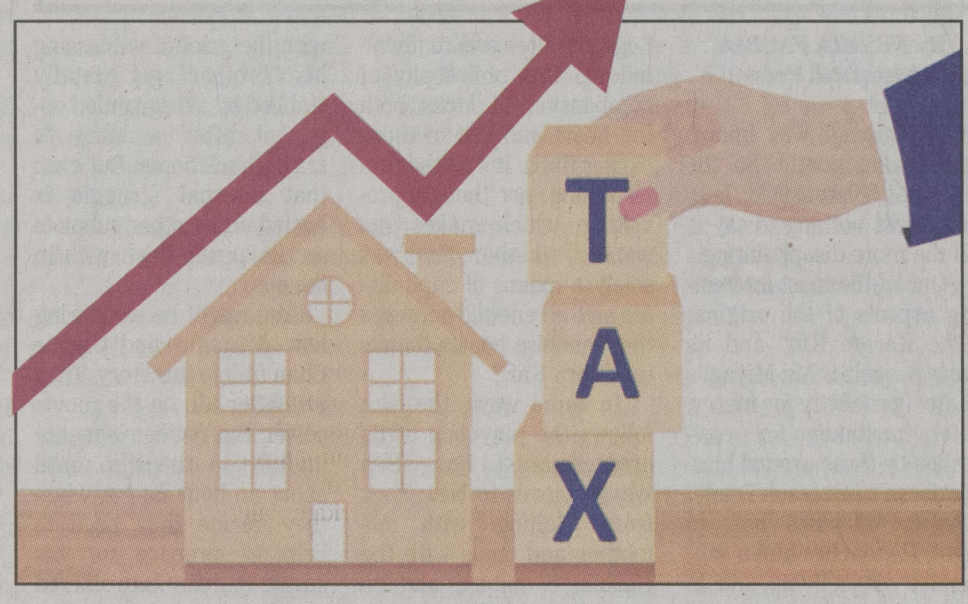
When voters rejected that ballot question during a special election in June of 2007, the town's then Board of Selectmen in the face of a public furor over the looming cuts to the school department stepped in to pass a $252 a year trash fee.

Stoneham had imposed a smaller $160 trash fee a few years earlier to avert the fallout from a similar failed operating budget override question in 2004, which voters overwhelmingly rejected. Two years later, town leaders, aware that citizens had generally okayed debt exclusions, tried to free up funding in the operating budget by asking voters to pass a $1.2 million debt exclusion that would be slated towards various capital needs. Ultimately, town voters trounced the ballot question, which would have resulted in a $140 tax increase.

Town leaders sought another override in 2011, which similarly failed, but during the lead up to that election, Select Board members emphasized that if the ballot question failed, Stoneham would continue to plug its budget with revenues collected from an annual trash fee.

Override scramble cancelled

In the wake of the defeat of this April's $14.6 million override referendum, many town officials - who were quite confident



that they had made their case for passing the permanent tax increase - were shocked by the outcome.

What ensued was a big scramble, mostly led by the town's Finance Board, to find a way to avert some of the worst budget cuts facing the school department, which was on the verge of cutting some 39 teaching and other positions from its FY'26 budget.

Meanwhile, controversy erupted at the first Select Board gathering after the April election when new board member Ryan Foreman began pressuring his new colleagues to go back to voters immediately and ask that they pass a smaller override.

Initially, the rookie was sharply rebuked by the Select Board's senior members, who were intimately familiar with how repeat override asks had faired some two decades earlier.

"My concern is people made a choice and they expected us to honor that. I find it very challenging to say I want to try again. That's like saying to people, 'I know you told us something, but I really don't like what you decided,'" responded Select Board Chair Timothy Waitkevitch.

"We need to stay consistent with what we said," later stated Select Board member Heidi Bilbo continued. "I'd love to go for another override, but I don't think we can do that for at least another year. We need to feel the pain and really fight it out with the state to fix these things that are wrong when it comes to [funding] the education of our kids."

Despite being brushed back, Foreman, whose interest in politics and campaign platform largely revolved around solving the current fiscal crisis, refused to let the issue go and insisted a second override question be placed on the ballot.

In late April, his staunch advocacy paid

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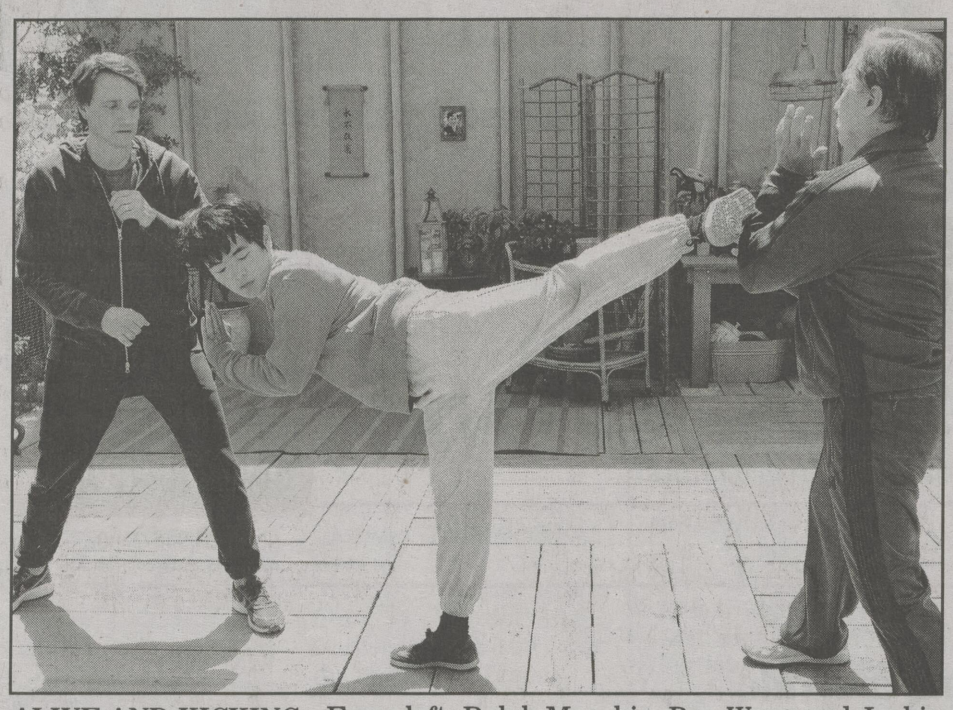

ALIVE AND KICKING - From left, Ralph Macchio, Ben Wang and Jackie Chan in a scene from "Karate Kid: Legends."
(Jonathan Wenk/Sony Pictures via AP)

Movie Reviews & Box Office News

Mr. Miyagi's absence is felt in 'Karate Kid: Legends'

By KRYSTA FAURIA
Associated Press

Mr. Miyagi was known for waxing poetic. So the fact that "Karate Kid: Legends" has nothing to say is all the more disappointing.

One of the most interesting aspects of the original "The Karate Kid" and its early sequels is Mr. Miyagi's radical proclivity for mercy, often mistaken for cowardice by those around him. He doesn't just teach Daniel (Ralph Macchio) how to fight. He teaches him a subversive way of living, and, in doing so, becomes a kind of father figure to the fatherless boy.

As is often the case, it seems the spirit of the franchise was lost somewhere in the creation of an entire universe — including six films and six seasons of "Cobra Kai." Although "Karate Kid: Legends" does eventually allude to this philosophy of compassion, it lacks both the heart and grit of those earlier films. It's neither entertaining, nor thought-provoking, which makes one wonder whether this was solely a means of capitalizing on the renewed audience the franchise boasts thanks to "Cobra Kai."

In some ways, the film follows the playbook of its predecessors. Li Fong (Ben Wang) moves to New York from Beijing with his mother and deals with the clashing of cultures and the struggles of being an outsider. And while Li does eventually, like in previous films, fight the jealous ex-boyfriend of his new romantic interest, their rivalry is hardly the focal point of the story.

Instead, Li's main struggle is internal, as he deals with the grief of witnessing his brother get fatally stabbed by a disgruntled opponent after a kung fu match back home. But even that internal struggle is buried under other subplots and is hardly dealt with in the end.

You might be wondering how Macchio and Jackie Chan fit into this story. They are, after all, on the movie poster. But neither is meaningfully in the film until about an hour into it, when they decide they need to help Li prepare for his karate match. Chan starred as a kung fu master in the 2010 remake, and the impressively choreographed fight scenes in this movie are more akin to his previous film — the convergence between Macchio's karate and Chan's kung fu is never really fleshed out.

"Karate Kid: Legends" is the first project in the franchise to connect Chan and Macchio, and does so in a way that feels forced. Once Chan and Macchio are finally on screen, there are a few endearing moments between the pair. But not enough to save the film. The attempt to tell a different story, while laudable, turns the film into a convoluted one, with no real character development or stakes.

Part of the problem is that the movie takes itself so seriously, making some of the irreverent humor of "Cobra Kai" unattainable. (One of the best moments of the film is William Zabka's cameo as Johnny Lawrence in a light-hearted coda.) For the most part, the film struggles tonally, thanks in part to the upbeat music set against a backdrop of violence and trauma.

That's not to say the previous films haven't always suffered from trying to do too many things. But there were moments of poignancy in the earlier movies that are absent in this latest installment of the franchise.

Despite its sprawling universe, there's no need to have kept up with it to understand most of what's going on. But rewatching the first wouldn't hurt, even if it will make you nostalgic for what's missing in "Karate Kid: Legends."

"Karate Kid: Legends," a Sony Pictures release, is rated PG-13 by the Motion Picture Association for martial arts violence and some language.

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- 1 egg, slightly beaten
- 3 tablespoons butter or margarine, melted

STEPS

1. Heat oven to 450°F. Line cookie sheet with foil; spray with cooking spray.

2. Mix Bisquick mix, cheese, salt and paprika in 1-gallon resealable plastic food-storage bag. Dip half the chicken strips into egg; place in bag of Bisquick mixture. Seal bag; shake to coat. Place chicken on cookie sheet. Repeat with remaining chicken. Drizzle butter over chicken.

3. Bake 12 to 14 minutes, turning after 6 minutes with pancake turner, until no longer pink in center.

EXPERT TIPS

- Purchase chicken breasts in the freezer case. With a well-stocked freezer, you'll be ready to make this recipe quickly on weeknights.
- Serve chicken fingers with garlic mashed potatoes and a mixed-greens salad.

• OVERRIDE FROM B1

off when Bilbo changed her position on the matter and agreed to call for a special 'emergency override' election on June 14. In the days ahead, the Select Board would go back and forth over how much of a tax increase to seek, though Foreman generally argued the override amount should be set at a figure of around $5.1 million.

As that debate raged on, Stoneham's Finance Board, still laboring behind the scenes to reduce the impact of the pending FY'26 budget cuts, proposed withdrawing $1.2 million in stabilization funds and reallocating funds for the senior center and library to the school department.

By the time Town Meeting began their early May deliberations over the FY'26 budget, that revised budget had been tweaked to restore some $2.4 million to the school department. Particularly worried that the local library might lose its state accreditation, Town Meeting also agreed to relieve some of the pressure on the senior center and library by steering $231,373 to the two municipal departments.

Just days after the Annual Town Meeting, divided Select Board members, many of whom were becomming increasingly worried that the second June 14 override would backfire, reversed course and cancelled the special election.

In a big surprise just prior to that final Select Board meeting on the topic, the local School Committee suggested it would need $5.1 million of its own in order to cover both its immediate FY'26 budget needs and the projected cost associated with awarding Stoneham's teachers a 15 percent raise over the next three years.

"I know this is kind of backwards and not how we normally do things. But just as a reminder, our [Stoneham Teachers Association] contract ends in six weeks," said School Committee Chair Jaime Wallace of the extra $3 million funding ask. "In my opinion, if [this emergency override] were to go forward and pass, we're not going to be able to go come back in the spring and get more money. So we have to look at what we can do to keep our contractual obligations."

Select Board members, who had dubbed the June 14 ballot question as "an emergency override" that would be used as a stop-gap measure until yet another tax increase could be sought from voters sometime before the start of FY'27, were quick to argue that an $8.1 million override unlikely to pass.

"The number continues to change and I'm becoming more and more wary," Select Board member David Pignone responded. "I do believe an override is needed. But I have a very uncomfortable feeling that this override won't pass in June."

"A lot of people, in light of the information that came out [from the School Committee about contract negotiations], are saying maybe we should backpedal," Parker later commented. "I can't in good faith pick a number out of a hat right now. But now we know we need more than $5.1 million."

The countdown begins...

Opening Day of the Wakefield Farmers Market is Saturday, June 14th

Start officially counting down the days! Opening Day of the Wakefield Farmers Market is Saturday, June 14th, and we are more than ready to welcome you back to the lawn with fresh produce, live music, and all the delicious small-batch goodies you've missed all winter.

There are lots of great tastes in store.

From flaky croissants to flower-powered cookies to small-batch ice cream, this year's vendor lineup is packed with decadent baked goods, hand-crafted confections, and treats for every kind of sweet tooth. Here's a sneak peek at just a few of the vendors who will be bringing the sugar and joy this season:

• Purple Carrot Bread Co.

Based in Lowell, MA, Purple Carrot is an artisan bread company specializing in small-batch breads made without preservatives or fillers — many of which are naturally vegan. They're known for their pillowy croissants, tender scones, and hearty, wholesome loaves that are as beautiful as they are flavorful. Whether you're picking up a baguette for dinner or a morning pastry to-go, they've got you covered.

• Desserts by Nathan

Pastry Chef Nathan Kibarian brings serious skill (and sweetness) to the table with an array of traditional Middle Eastern and European pastries and chocolates. His booth is a feast for the eyes and the tastebuds, with expertly crafted desserts that show his true passion for all things pastry. Make sure to check out his beautiful cakes on his website!

• Sweet Botanical Bakes

Say hello to a truly blooming business! This woman-owned cookie company out of Medford, MA specializes in buttery shortbread cookies adorned with edible flowers. Not only are they stunning and delicious, but Sweet Botanical Bakes donates 5% of all proceeds to local community gardens, Seed Savers Exchange, and United Plant Savers—making every cookie a little bite of beauty and purpose.

• Grateful Tastes

Jam lovers, rejoice! Grateful Tastes brings locally sourced, artisanal spreads—preserves, jellies, raw honey, and pure maple syrup—that are made with love and peak-season ingredients. Grateful Tastes offerings are the perfect addition to your morning toast, cheese board, or market bag.

• Decor Scoop

This ice cream brand puts flavor, integrity, and freshness at the forefront. Decor Scoop crafts their dreamy ice creams with minimal sugar, zero chemicals, and only the freshest ingredients. Their egg-free recipes are perfect for vegetarians, and they also offer delectable vegan options. Expect rich, unique flavors in every scoop—just in time for summer heat.

• Joy of Treats

Joy of Treats offers a unique and flavorful lineup of Indian sweets—from traditional classics to modern fusion creations. Many of their treats are made with no added sugar, making them a delicious option for anyone looking for something a little different (and a little healthier) to satisfy their sweet tooth.

• The Bread Shop

The Bread Shop is back! This beloved returning vendor known for rustic loaves, soft sandwich breads, and a wide selection of pastries and cookies. Whether you're grabbing a morning cinnamon roll or a loaf to take home, their handmade baked goods are a Wakefield favorite for a reason.

Get your sweet tooth and reusable bags ready—Opening Day is Saturday, June 14, and we'll be at Hall Park (468 North Avenue, Wakefield, MA) every Saturday from 9 AM to 1 PM through October 25.

The Farmers Market can't wait to welcome back so many amazing returning vendors and introduce customers to some exciting new additions. Be sure to stay connected through our website at www.wakefieldfarmersmarket.org and social media channels.

Thank you for your continued support, and have fun at the market!

• Real Estate Transfers •

BURLINGTON

279 Cambridge St #A3 was sold to Ward Rt and Ward, Eric B by Nrd Rt and Demagistris, Nicholas for $300,000 on 05/16/25

6 Frances Rd was sold to Downey, Emily M and Downey, Jason H by Penta Ann C Est and Dandurant, Kim for $740,000 on 05/14/25

22 Gloria Cir was sold to Murray, Virginia and Bennink, Richard by K Loretta Kostas RET and Kotas, K L for $1,000,000 on 05/15/25

3 Reed St was sold to Guhathakurta, Kaushik and Dutta, Sanjucta by Brown, Benjamin and Brown, Cindy for $740,000 on 05/15/25

145 Wilmington Rd was sold to Kwak, Samuel and Hwang, Elysia by Middlesex Homebuying LLC and Bmc Builders LLC for $1,500,000 on 05/16/25

245 Winn St was sold to Liu, Gang and Deng, Ying C by Thelma J Tibbitts Lt and Langtry, Catherine M for $659,900 on 05/16/25

LYNNFIELD

30 Underhill Rd was sold to Langton, Leah and Langton, Steven by Mellen, Christopher and Mellen, Linda for $1,953,000 on 05/13/25

2 Vallis Way was sold to Capachietti, David and Capachietti, Maria by Vallis Way Lynnfield LLC for $1,200,000 on 05/13/25

3 Vallis Way was sold to 126 Tremont Street LLC by Vallis Way Lynnfield LLC for $1,300,000 on 05/13/25

NORTH READING

20 Chestnut St was sold to Bradley, Jennifer K by Anastasia Kurmanova RET and Kurmanova, Anastasia for $1,435,000 on 05/15/25

178 Elm St was sold to Bethel-Christian, Lauren M and Bethel-Christian, Ryan J by Carr, Kevin R and Gagnon, Ariel F for $681,000 on 05/14/25

300 Martins Lndg #304 was sold to Jin, Shun S and Pang, Jun S by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for $524,710 on 05/12/25

READING

75 Augustus Ct #1010 was sold to Wang, Mantong by Chapman, Mary L for $506,000 on 05/13/25

16 Chute St was sold to Chute High LLC by Plimsoll Co for $1,600,000 on 05/13/25

6 Chute St was sold to Chute High LLC by Plimsoll Co for $1,600,000 on 05/13/25

609 Haverhill St was sold to Foley, Joseph C and Linera, Blanca G by Masciave, Carmela for $927,000 on 05/13/25

41-49 High St was sold to Chute High LLC by Plimsoll Co for $1,600,000 on 05/13/25

146 Johnson Woods Dr #146 was sold to Ghosh, Shanto and Nanda, Sarmila by Mcneill, Michael P and Mcneill, Kelly M for $1,125,000 on 05/16/25

27 Mount Vernon St was sold to Rohr, Suzanne by Mt Vernon Rt and Barros, Manuel F for $810,000 on 05/15/25

8 Smith Ave was sold to Kenny Jr, Dane and Kenny, Stephanie by Renaud, Jason R and Cadiero, Sabrina for $800,000 on 05/15/25

48 Village St #2002 was sold to Rathore, Virendra S and Singh, Nidhi by 48 Village Street LLC for $760,000 on 05/15/25

38 Weston Rd was sold to Rose, Ian and Rose, Jacquelyn by Wells, Annalee and Knowles, Cheryl for $1,185,000 on 05/15/25

STONEHAM

5 Cherry Ave was sold to Farinacci-Chong, Chelsea M and Chong, Christopher B by Siller, Eric P and Grinnell, Meredith L for $850,000 on 05/16/25

131 Franklin St #303 was sold to Isaac, Irene M by Lordan, Keith and Lordan, Linda for $460,000 on 05/12/25

41 High St was sold to 91 Glenn Street LLC by Kelley, Mary A for $828,041 on 05/15/25

13 Highland Ave was sold to Bellotti 3rd, Peter V and Ryan, Aisling S by Grady, Sandra R for $770,000 on 05/15/25

159 Main St #8B was sold to Varghese, Ken J by Gupta, Minakshi N for $490,000 on 05/15/25

367 Main St was sold to Peace Plus Maintenance Co by Kohen, Ilya for $1,515,000 on 05/16/25

2-4 Middle St was sold to Raffaele, Gerardo by Frank R Sylvester Lt and Sylvester, Frank R for $1,270,000 on 05/15/25

100 Park Terrace Dr #121 was sold to Beacham, Matthew and Healey, Lisa by Virginia M Dockery Irt and Dockery Jr, John J for $400,000 on 05/16/25

300 Park Terrace Dr #335 was sold to Carrillo, Nicolas T and Stanton, Kelly C by Stoffregen, Susan A for $350,000 on 05/16/25

68 Pleasant St #2 was sold to Bellotti, Jeffrey J and Bellotti, Barbara P by Bellotti 3rd, Peter V and Bellotti, Barbara P for $210,000 on 05/14/25

21 Winship Dr was sold to Huo, Yunhao and Cao, Yuming by James & Ann Brewin RET and Brewin Jr, James V for $1,660,000 on 05/16/25

TEWKSBURY

8 Armistice Rd was sold to Nansubuga, Jenifer E and Nambwayi, Venerah by Nashawaty, Kelly A and Nashawaty, Richard J for $615,000 on 05/16/25

60 David Morris Rd was sold to Gaudet, Nicole and Gaudet, Stephen by Tavares 2019 T and Tavares, Anthony M for $860,000 on 05/15/25

53 Fairway Dr #53 was sold to Laskey, Warren M and Calore, Florence A by Boudreau Rt and Boudreau, Martin J for $570,000 on 05/12/25

25 Floyd Ave was sold to Mcdonough, Ryan and Mcdonough, Verena G by Gaudet, Stephen F and Gaudet, Nicole for $705,000 on 05/14/25

109 Maryland Rd was sold to Theodore S Fahey LLC by Post, Joseph W for $680,000 on 05/15/25

17 Merrimack Meadows Ln #17 was sold to Moran, Catherine and Moran, Jason by Pires, Emalee and Pires, Mario for $460,000 on 05/14/25

190 Terramor Dr was sold to Kelley, Suzanne A by Zareall, George J for $150,000 on 05/16/25

667 Whipple Rd was sold to Avakian, Arsen and Avakian, Elizabeth by Shabo, George R and Shabo, Sarah A for $765,000 on 05/16/25

91 Worthern Pl was sold to Ranucci, Richard F and Ranucci, Danielle by Biron, Diane M and Biron, Robert J for $875,000 on 05/13/25

WAKEFIELD

181 Broadway St was sold to Maria Ferrante RETg and Merrante, Maria E by Alongi, Vito D for $1,020,000 on 05/12/25

98 Cedar St #24 was sold to Seidner, Alex and Vansuch, Sierra by Laskey, Warren M and Calore, Florence A for $630,000 on 05/16/25

52 Chestnut St was sold to Sullivan, Caroline and Sullivan, John by Stein, Charles for $1,135,000 on 05/15/25

9 Dexters Ln was sold to Acharya, Bibhu and Khanal, Puja by Wood, Valerie J for $920,555 on 05/14/25

54 Pine St was sold to Mccrevan, Daniel G and Fiffy, Summer J by Buettner, Jacob A and Buettner, Shawna N for $675,000 on 05/13/25

WILMINGTON

66 Adams St was sold to Rocco, Nicholas and Rocco, Jenna by Lepore, Raymond N and Lepore, Diane C for $1,250,000 on 05/15/25

19 Boutwell St was sold to Wymer, Timothy and Wymer, Lauryn by Randolph, Brian and Randolph, Cathy for $1,400,000 on 05/16/25

12 Draper Dr was sold to Constantino, Cesar D by Gullotto, Laurie A and Gullotto, Frank for $790,000 on 05/16/25

203 Lowell St #B was sold to Real Est Prop Svcs Med LL by 203 Lowell St Owner LLC for $6,400,000 on 05/13/25

203 Lowell St #A was sold to Real Est Prop Svcs Star L by 203 Lowell St Owner LLC for $3,000,000 on 05/13/25

36 Upton Dr was sold to Hgit Upton Drive LLC by Div 36-38 Upton LLC for $72,789,750 on 05/15/25

38 Upton Dr was sold to Hgit Upton Drive LLC by Div 36-38 Upton LLC for $72,789,750 on 05/15/25

102 Woburn St was sold to Menai, Sana and Ayoub, Tarek by Rocco, Nicholas A and Rocco, Jenna M for $750,000 on 05/15/25

WINCHESTER

15 Charles Rd #15 was sold to Ren, Jing by Jiang, Wei and Duan, Zhongjing for $680,000 on 05/15/25

83 Sylvester Ave was sold to Mcdonough, Meaghan by Lorraine F Mcdonough Irt and Mcdonough, Shaun for $600,000 on 05/15/25

1 Town Way was sold to 1 Town Way LLC by Tierno, Gerald B for $1,100,000 on 05/14/25

6 Vinson Cir was sold to Ainsworth Lt and Ainsworth, Jason A by 6 Vinson Circle LLC for $4,065,000 on 05/16/25

WOBURN

74 Beach St #1-12 was sold to Sargsyan, Veronika by Levasseur, Michael R and Levasseur, Jeanne M for $406,000 on 05/14/25

99 Blueberry Hill Rd was sold to 99 Blue Hill LLC by Charles R Whitten Gst T and Whitten, David D for $5,525,000 on 05/14/25

269 Cambridge Rd #605 was sold to Kelly, Mary A by Kelly, Richard A and Kelly, Laura R for $570,000 on 05/15/25

34 Derby Dr #34 was sold to Falese, John by West Woburn Dev Corp for $799,900 on 05/15/25

20 Goodwin Dr #38 was sold to Jain, Akshay and Felix, Valeria C by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for $1,034,999 on 05/12/25

22 Goodwin Dr #37 was sold to Surisetti, Anand and Kurnella, Nagalakshmi by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for $1,185,540 on 05/14/25

6 Stratton Dr #110 was sold to Zhao, Wenyi and Deng, Yunfeng by Pulte Hm Of New Eng LLC for $650,845 on 05/16/25

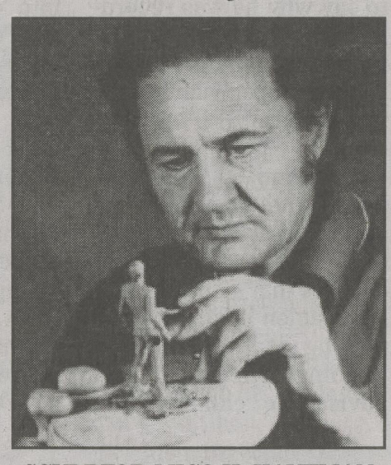
23 West St was sold to Puzyrova, Volodymyr and Puzyrova, Antonina by Huang, Holly Z for $852,000 on 05/16/25

Art collection on display at the Tewksbury Public Library

The Tewksbury Public Library received several donated pieces of art from the Mico H. Kaufman RVOC Trust which are on display in the building. Models of the large public statues found in Tewksbury are located in our Fairgrieve browsing wing. Two of the first floor lobby display cases house a collection of his many pewter miniatures as well as a few other models. The second floor includes two framed cases of historical medals. The frames were built by Kaufman himself.

The second floor also has four photographs of the statues in Tewksbury that are located at the end of the non-fiction shelving. These photos were taken by John Zipeto and donated by Joan Unger.

The Library is proud to display the artwork of the renowned sculptor who made his home in Tewksbury for so many years.



SCULPTOR MICO H. KAUFMAN

Biography

Mico Kaufman was born on January 3, 1924 in Buzeu, Romania, where he grew up with his parents, Adele and Herman Kaufman and two siblings. A self-taught artist, he learned to draw and sculpt through experimentation with different mediums.With the escalation of the Anti-Semitic movement throughout Europe during World War II, Kaufman eventually found himself spending three years digging trenches in a Nazi concentration camp until his release at the age of 21. In 1947, at the end of the war, he left Romania for Italy where he began his formal art training in sculpture at the Academy of Fine Arts in Rome. He later transferred to the Academy of Fine Arts in Florence to continue his studies. At the age of 27, Kaufman immigrated to America with his wife and daughter, settling in Boston, Massachusetts. In 1956, Kaufman became a United States citizen.

In 1965, Kaufman received his first commission as a designer. Eventually he worked for several professional sculpture studios in Boston before opening his own studio in Tewksbury. During the late 1960s and 1970s Kaufman's career took off, winning commissions to create medals for the celebration of the 1976 U.S. Bicentennial as well as other historical events. He created close to 200 medals. He is the only sculptor in American numismatics to have been commissioned for four official presidential medals. Many of his works can now be found in museums, including the Smithsonian Institution, British Museum, Brandeis University, American Numismatic Society and private collections all over the world. He has exhibited in many locations, including Boston, New York, Florence, London, Lisbon, Portugal, Helsinki, Budapest, Krakow, Colorado Springs and Lowell, Massachusetts.

Kaufman also created large scale sculptures and monuments. His most well known include a seven-foot statue of artist James McNeill Whistler for the Whistler House Museum of Art; a bronze statue of Claude Debussy, which appears at both the University of Massachusetts Lowell and at St. Germain-en-Laye, France, birthplace of the famed composer; a five-figure sculpture of mill girls in Lowell, Massachusetts titled HOMAGE TO WOMEN; a sculpture called TOUCHING SOULS, of four children from different ethnic origins literally touching the soles of their feet as they sit spread-eagle in a circle in Tewksbury and outside of the Tewkesbury Abbey in its sister city of Tewkesbury, England; WATER. his sculpture of Anne Sullivan and Helen Keller outside of the the Tewksbury Town Hall; SPIRIT OF THE MARATHON, installed in Marathon Square in Marathon Greece and at the one mile marker in Hopkinton, Massachusetts; WAMESIT INDIAN located close to the Lowell line in Tewksbury; and MUSTER, an homage to firefighters, located by the South Fire Station in Tewksbury.

Kaufman also carved dozens of pewter miniatures, many in a series, such as Legendary Americans or Moby-Dick. Several were produced as limited editions and/or signed by the artist. Each tiny sculpture was sectioned in ten pieces, then each piece was individually cast. Finally, it was all reassembled with pewter solder.

Mico Kaufman died on December 12, 2016 at the age of 92.

Learn more about the artist in A Chiseler's True Story: The Art of Mico Kaufman by Mico Kaufman available in the biography collection at TPL.

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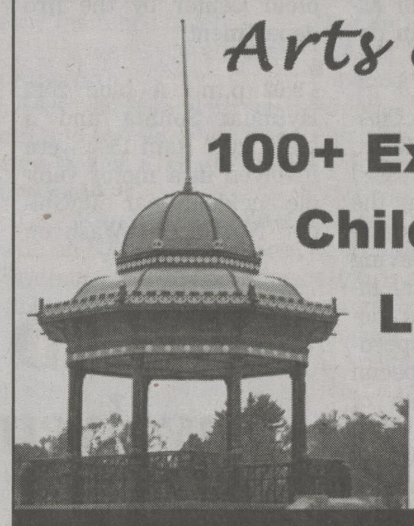

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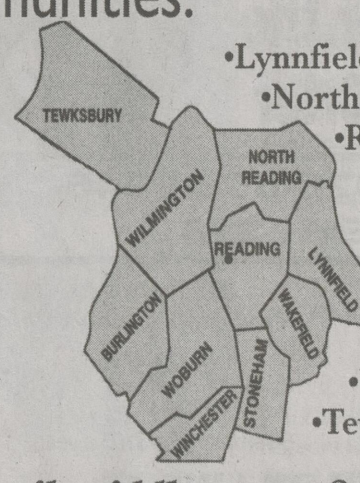

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Tewksbury Police Log

California man arrested for OUI liquor, possession of open container of alcohol

Monday, May 26

230 a.m. - Police reported juveniles on top of a generator at Interstate Electrical Corp. More police sent to back up. They stated juveniles live in the area and were heading back home.

2:20 p.m. - Caller reported her neighbor was abusing their dog at Allen Road. Police sent. This was an ongoing issue. The neighbor was training the dog and and police reported the dog seemed happy and healthy.

5:47 p.m. - Police checked on moped by cornfield at East Street and Livingston Street. They stated checking on moped and electric bike and everything checked out.

9:14 p.m. - Caller reported her upstairs neighbor was making noise at Ames Hill Drive. Police sent. They spoke to the caller and the upstairs neighbor. Advice was given and officer filed a report.

Tuesday, May 27

3:25 a.m. - Police out with a male at Long Meadow Golf Club. Male checked out and was going for a walk and headed home now.

4:14 a.m. - Campus police reported a client "out of control" at Tewksbury State Hospital. He reportedly assaulted other people in the unit but no injuries were reported. Campus police would need the Tewksbury Police Department at door to guide them to the patient. Officer filed a report.

2:27 p.m. - A 911 caller stated two-car motor vehicle car accident with no injuries at Cracker Barrel Old Country Store. Police sent. James Petkiewicz, 59, of 916 Wren Drive in San Jose, California, was arrested and charged with OUI liquor, negligent operation of motor vehicle, and possess open container of alcohol in motor vehicle.

7:39 p.m. - The caller reported she heard an alarm, possibly a fire alarm at Livingston Street. Police sent. Female burned her chicken.

Wednesday, May 28

1:33 a.m. - A gray Honda sat outside at Circle K. Cashier reported suspicious activity with occupied, previously sleeping in the car. Cashier wanted them off the property. Police sent. They just left, heading toward 495. Police spoke with clerk. No real concern and the motor vehicle was observed by office heading into Andover.

2:44 p.m. - Andover Police Department reported a black Toyota drove extremely slow and veered into the breakdown lane at East Street. Police sent. They checked the area, but they were unable to locate.

9:26 p.m. - A caller reported someone banged on her door and knocked her trash barrel over at Martha Avenue. Police sent. They checked the area and spoke with the calling party. Nothing out of the ordinary.

11:23 p.m. - Wilmington calling because there was an erratic driver headed into Tewksbury at Main Street and South Street. Police sent. They checked the area of Main Street to Chandler Street, but the vehicle was gone on arrival.

Thursday, May 29

1:24 a.m. - Police checked on the motor vehicle at Speedway Gas Station. Vehicle was a lift driver waiting for a ride.

8:01 a.m. - A 911 caller stated make party cut him off and got in his face at Market Basket Warehouse. Male was in the back of the building near the white tractor trailer. Police sent. A verbal argument between two drivers. Officer filed a report.

8:37 p.m. - A 911 caller reported five kids on dirt bikes threw something at his truck at River Road and Trull Road and broke his window. Lowell Police Department notified and police sent. Officer filed a report.

Friday, May 30

5:12 p.m. - Officer reported a large snapping turtle in thread at Marie Street and Foster Road. Police sent. The turtle was not in the road.

9:45 p.m. - Police reported a dead beaver in the road at Brother's Pizza. MassDOT notified and responded.

Saturday, May 31

5:28 a.m. - Caller reported an erratic operator near Lowell 5 Savings. Vehicle in front of the caller had no lights and almost hit the caller. Caller and vehicle traveled south toward Wilmington. Police sent. Verbal tip the operator for speed and no lights.

11:52 a.m. - Employee reported an unwanted party at The Residences at Tewksbury. Officer spoke with the caller. The male was a resident here. Management was advised of the eviction process. The involved male left prior to arrival.

4:14 p.m. - Male party was hitting the walls and screaming at Eliot Community Human Services Inc. Police sent. Party was calmed down and would remain. Officer filed a report.

5:39 p.m. - Coach for Tewksbury Baseball looking to speak with an officer regarding an issue they were having with a family member of one of their players at East Street Ball Fields. Police sent and officer filed a report.

Sunday, June 1

12:27 a.m. - Caller reported a suspicious person walking in front of his property possibly on the phone at Henry J Drive. Police sent. They checked the area and the party was talking to someone on FaceTime.

7:51 p.m. - Andover Police Department reported they received call for an erratic vehicle driving at a high rate of speed and passing vehicles in a no passing zone at Andover Street. They were driving on 133 toward Tewksbury. Police sent and checked the length of Andover Street with nothing showing. The vehicle was in the driveway. The operator left prior to the police arrival and left a voicemail.

Wilmington Police Log

Woburn man arrested for drug possession

Friday, May 23:

9:30 p.m.: A caller at the 99 Restaurant on Lowell St. reported that someone had broken into her car sometime between 5:30 p.m. and then; while nothing had been taken from the vehicle, the passenger side window was smashed in. Camera footage obtained from the restaurant didn't show anything suspicious.

10:04 p.m.: A caller at the Red Heat Tavern on Lowell Street reported that someone had broken into their car sometime in the last hour, smashing in a window and taking a bag with credit cards in it. Another car at the Red Heat was also found to have been broken into, with a bag containing prescription medication being taken. Police weren't able to look at security footage at the time.

Saturday, May 24:

3:04 p.m.: A caller at the Saver's on Main Street reported seeing a dog in a vehicle; the windows were partially rolled down, but the dog appeared to be panting. Police spoke with the owner and while they found the dog was fine, they still discussed best practices regarding leaving animals in vehicles.

3:40 p.m.: Police received an automated 911 call from Richmond Street, saying that the owner of the phone was involved in an accident; no one was on the other end of the line, and police couldn't get a response on callback. The phone was found to be lying in the middle of the road, and the phone was returned to its owner.

Sunday, May 25:

9:20 a.m.: An employee at the CVS on Main Street reported a man was sleeping on the sidewalk in front of the store. Police offered the man resources for assistance, but the man declined.

4:29 p.m.: John E McCloskey of 38 Marlboro Road, in Woburn, was arrested for 3 counts of leaving the scene of property damage, 2 counts of leaving the scene of personal injury, 5 marked lanes violations, 2 counts of speeding in violation of special regulations, 4 counts of negligent operation of a motor vehicle, failure to stop for police, a subsequent offense of operating a motor vehicle with a suspended license, a state highway traffic violation, possession of a class B drug, and possession of a class E drug. This followed a caller on I-93 reporting a white 2017 Ford F-150 driving erratically in and out of lanes, after which two other callers reported accidents involving a white pickup truck, one of which saw a person complaining of head pain.

Monday, May 26:

1:13 p.m.: A gray 2012 Jeep Wrangler hit a bicyclist on Main Street. A juvenile sustained minor injuries, but declined medical attention.

1:34 p.m.: A gray 2008 Honda Accord and a green 2024 Kia Sportage were involved in a motor vehicle accident on Forest Street. Injuries were reported, and one person was taken to Lahey Medical Center by the fire department.

9:02 p.m.: A blue 2012 Hyundai Sonata and a black 2017 Ram 1500 were involved in a motor vehicle accident near the Golden Nozzle Car Wash on Main Street. No injuries were reported.

Tuesday, May 27:

1:31 a.m.: Gerard Edward Oathout of 237 Jenness St., in Lynn, was issued a summons for operating a motor vehicle with a suspended or revoked registration. This followed a stop of his gray 2011 Subaru Forester on West Street.

7:44 a.m.: A caller at L-3 Harris on Jonspin Road reported a man outside harassing the employees and video recording the building. The man refused to say why he was recording the building, but the man eventually got off the private property and peace was restored.

6:02 p.m.: A caller reported that they had lost an airpod at K1 Speedway on Fordham Road, and believes that someone may have stolen it, since it was pinging at the Chili's in Reading. The caller was advised to call Reading police for help locating it.

Wednesday, May 28:

12:35 p.m.: A manager at Frango's Chicken on Lowell Street requested an officer to help give a no trespass order to a former employee. Police advised the manager about trespass procedures.

5:59 p.m.: A caller reported a man in the MBTA parking lot on Main Street, described as a white man in his 30s with dark hair, who appeared to be under the influence of something, and may have been trying to get into cars in the parking lot. Police called the man's father to come and pick him up.

6:11 p.m.: A caller on Burlington Avenue stated that about 10 minutes beforehand, a grey Nissan drove past him and his young son, honked at them, and then threw a cup of lemonade, which appeared to be from Frango's Chicken, at his son. The caller stated that no one was hurt, and that he believes it was an isolated situation, but was advised to call back if the vehicle returned.

Thursday, May 29:

12:28 a.m.: A caller at Garrick Construction on Eames Street reported a delivery being made, despite the fact that they aren't supposed to be doing deliveries at this hour, with the caller later stating the driver dumped his load and left.

10:50 a.m.: Police witnessed a motor vehicle accident between a gray 2009 Honda CR-V and a silver 2018 GMC Sierra 1500 on Main Street. No injuries were reported.

10:35 p.m.: A caller at the Speedway on Main Street reported that she was charged for gas that she didn't dispense. Police spoke with an employee, the woman was not charged, and peace was restored.

TPD creates video to highlight involvement in Blue Envelope Project

TEWKSBURY — Police Chief Ryan Columbus would like to announce that the Tewksbury Police Department has created a video to highlight the department's participation in the Blue Envelope Project, a statewide initiative to improve police interactions with individuals on the Autism spectrum.

The Blue Envelope Project was created via a partnership among the Massachusetts Chiefs of Police Association, Massachusetts State Police, Advocates for Autism of Massachusetts, and The Arc of Massachusetts, along with input from individuals with autism and their families.

The project offers a blue envelope to any driver on the autism spectrum. The driver can store their vital driving documents — vehicle registration, driver's license and a contact card — in an easy-to-find envelope that can be provided to police in the event of a traffic stop.

The outside of each envelope contains tips and instructions to guide law enforcement members who encounter someone on the autism spectrum.

The goals of the program are to enhance understanding among police, reduce anxiety for drivers on the autism spectrum, streamline communication between police and those on the spectrum, even in potentially high-stress situations like traffic stops, and to encourage preparedness on the part of individuals on the autism spectrum.

Tewksbury Police have participated in the Blue Envelope Project since last year, but are continuing to highlight and draw attention to the program in the hope that they can reach even more individuals who are on the Autism spectrum.

Community Engagement Officer Jacob Saad recently worked with the Tewksbury TeleMedia Department and the police department's intern, Michael, from the Autism Higher Education Foundation, to create a new video highlighting and explaining the program.

To view the video highlighting the program, visit *https://www.youtube.com/shorts/GLtzlM27UR8*.

"This is an incredible program that truly helps both our officers and members of the public who are on the Autism Spectrum," said Chief Columbus. "We want to continue to spread the news of this program in our community so we can reach even more individuals."

The blue envelopes are available at any state police barracks and at the Tewksbury Police Department. The envelopes may also be available at other local police departments, but residents are advised to call ahead first to check on availability.

For more information on the Blue Envelope Program, visit: https://www.mass.gov/info-details/blue-envelope-program.

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Allen named to President's List at Merrimack College

NORTH ANDOVER — **Dasia Allen of Tewksbury** has been named to the President's list at Merrimack College for the Spring semester of 2025.

She is the daughter of Alston and Georgia Allen of Tewksbury.

Dasia is a Communication and Media major. She is also an Austin Scholar and provides community service as an assistant to a music therapist in a senior living community.

In addition, Dasia is a member of Concert Choir, Black Student Association (BSA) and Merrimack College Television (MCTV).

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Wilmington SPORTS

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▲ Sara Keck throws a pitch for Wilmington. (Doug Hastings photo)

▲ Olivia Raposa waits to hit for Wilmington. (Doug Hastings photo)

Wilmington softball wins, then falls in playoffs

By DOUG HASTINGS
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Freshman Sara Keck made her first-ever state tournament softball game a memorable one.

Keck not only threw a complete game on the mound for the Wilmington High softball team in its state tournament opener at Sandwich, she also had a pair of doubles as the Wildcats beat the Knights, 7-3.

WHS advanced to Monday's second round game in Upton against Nipmuc Regional which the Wildcats lost by a 4-2 score.

The win in Sandwich was an excellent back-and-forth contest that saw Wilmington score twice in the sixth inning and once more in the seventh to pull away.

Leading 4-3 in the sixth, the Wildcats started a rally with two outs.

Evelyn LaClair crushed a double to center, went to third on a wild pitch and scored when a grounder by senior Eva Boudreau was thrown away by the Sandwich defense.

Boudreau hustled to third on a passed ball and scored when Olivia Raposa's liner up the middle deflected off of pitcher Sophie Farrington's glove for a single.

In the seventh, Summer Sands drew a two-out walk and went to third when Kiersten Moore pounded a single to right. Ali McElligott then hit a run-scoring single to right, driving home Sands to make it 7-3.

Wilmington started the game with two runs in the top of the first.

LaClair and Boudreau walked with one out and then scored when Keck smacked a two-run double.

In the second, Wilmington made it 3-0 when Sofia Tentindo led off with a single, went to second on a wild pitch and took third when Moore's bunt was misplayed. McElligott then hit a sacrifice fly to left, scoring Tentindo.

The Wildcats loaded the bases in the third as Raposa and Keck hit singles and Charlotte Forcina walked. A pop up and back-to-back strikeouts by Farrington ended the threat.

Sandwich took advantage of the momentum, scoring twice in the bottom of the third to make it 3-2 when Mia Consalvi absolutely hammered a two-run home run way over the fence in left.

Each team scored once in the fifth.

Keck doubled with one out and scored when Forcina poked a single over first base.

The Knights answered with an RBI single by Lane Kraihanzel.

The Wilmington defense was excellent.

In the first, McElligott made a good catch on a pop up to short and Forcina ended the inning with a catch in center field.

LaClair made two nice plays at second base in the second.

Although Sandwich scored a run in the fifth, McElligott likely saved the game with her defense in the frame.

After a pair of walks opened the inning, McElligott started a 6-4-3 double play, tossing to LaClair, who fired a strike to Tentindo at first. On Kraihanzel's RBI single, McElligott made a great diving stop that likely prevented extra bases and then recorded the third out with a sprinting catch of a foul ball.

Sandwich's sixth inning ended with a unique play. With a runner on second and two outs, Capri Barber hit a line drive that hit off of McElligott's glove and bounced directly to LaClair, who quickly threw to first for the out.

In the seventh, Isabelle Maiella started the inning with a terrific catch of a line drive to left off the bat of Consalvi and Keck took care of the rest with strikeouts of Maddie Brown and Kraihanzel to end the game.

Keck finished with 10 strikeouts and three walks while allowing seven hits.

Farrington had nine Ks and four walks while allowing 12 Wildcat hits, three by Keck and two each by LaClair and Raposa.

Against Nipmuc, Wilmington took a 1-0 lead in the top of the first.

LaClair walked with one out and went to second on a two-out single by Raposa.

Keck then hit an RBI single for the 'Cats.

Nipmuc scored three times in the bottom of the second, but Wilmington answered with a run in the fifth.

Moore walked to lead off before a single by LaClair. Boudreau scored pinch runner Drozdowski with a ground ball.

Nipmuc added another run in the home half of the fifth to make it 4-2.

In the seventh, Sands drew a leadoff walk, but Nipmuc pitcher Charlotte Leitch retired the next three hitters to end the inning.

WHS had another good chance to score in the third inning.

McElligott singled to lead off and Raposa drew a two-out walk, but Leitch earned a strikeout to end the inning.

Keck went all six innings on the mound for Wilmington.

◀ The Wilmington dugout cheers during Wilmington's win over Sandwich. (Doug Hastings photo)

Girls tennis drops close match in Round 2 of playoffs

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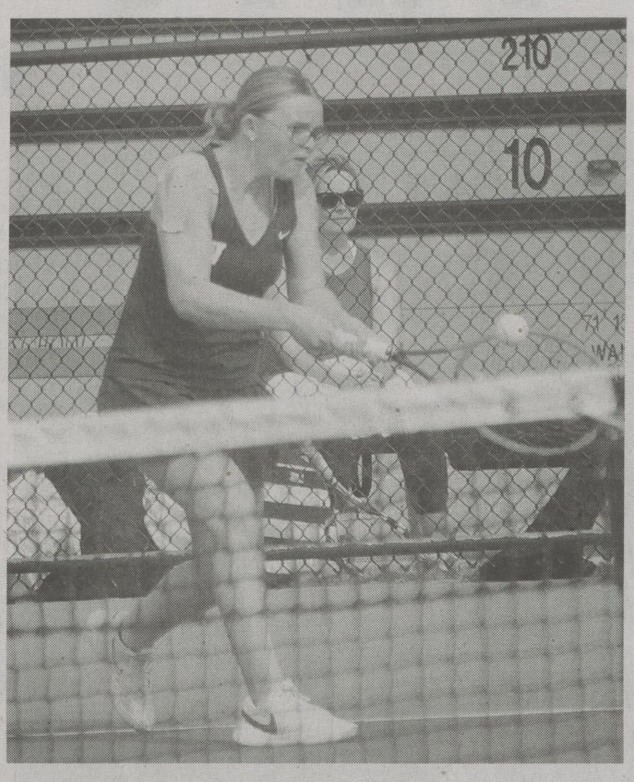
Another solid season came to an end on Monday for the Wilmington High girls tennis team.



The Wildcats lost to visiting Medfield by a 3-2 score, dropping both doubles matches and one of the singles courts in a tight playoff battle at WHS.

Savannah Beatrice was a 6-0, 6-1 winner at first singles while Jaslene Ryou took a gritty 6-3, 2-6, 6-2 decision at No. 3 singles.

Medfield won at second singles by a 6-3, 6-1 score over Alison D'Arco of Wimington.

In doubles action, the top Wildcat team of Cara DiGiovanni and Veronika Loshak lost 6- 1, 6-3 score while Jill Weinstein and Sahana Puvanendrakumar of Wilmington also nearly forced a third set before falling at second doubles, 6-2, 7-5.

Wilmington opened the playoffs with a 5-0 sweep of Pembroke.

WHS didn't drop a set in the win, but most of the matches were competitive.

At second singles, D'Arco had a nice win, pulling away after a first-set tiebreaker to take a 7-6, 6-0 victory.

Ryou also pulled away in her win at third singles, 6-3, 6-0.

Beatrice won at No. 1 singles, 6-2, 6-1.

In doubles, DiGiovanni and Loshak cruised easily at first doubles, 6-1, 6-0 and Shubhangi Tripathi and Puvanendrakumar won a good match at No. 2 doubles, 6-3, 6-2.

◀ Savannah Beatrice hustles to a backhand.
(Doug Hastings photo)

Boys tennis falls to Medfield

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The Wilmington High boys tennis team lost in the opening round of the state tournament against Medfield at Babson College in Wellesley last week, 5-0.

"We lost to a better team," said WHS coach Bob Maille. "I am proud of our team. We competed hard."

Sanjeev Puvanendrakumar lost 4-6, 6-4, 1-0 (10-4).

"It was his highest level match of the season," Maille said. "This is the first time in my 30-year career that I have had a freshman playing No. 1 singles. His future is bright."

Jay Karani lost 6-1,6-1 to a quality opponent at second singles and captain Nick DiGiovanni fought hard in his last high school match before succumbing 6-2, 7-5 at third singles.

"He has been an awesome leader on and off the court and will be sorely missed," Mailee said.

At No. 1 doubles Evander Ragsdale and Tyler Holland were overpowered 6-0 6-1 and Tony Cummings and Jeffrey Ryou lost a competitive match at second doubles, 6-4,6-3.

▲ Jay Karani hits a serve.
(Doug Hastings photo)

◀ Nick DiGiovanni hits a backhand in a playoff match last week.
(Doug Hastings photo)

Girls lacrosse season ends in Bedford

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The season came to an end for the Wilmington High girls lacrosse team on Monday.

The Wildcats fell in the second round of the state tournament to a powerful Bedford team, 18-1.

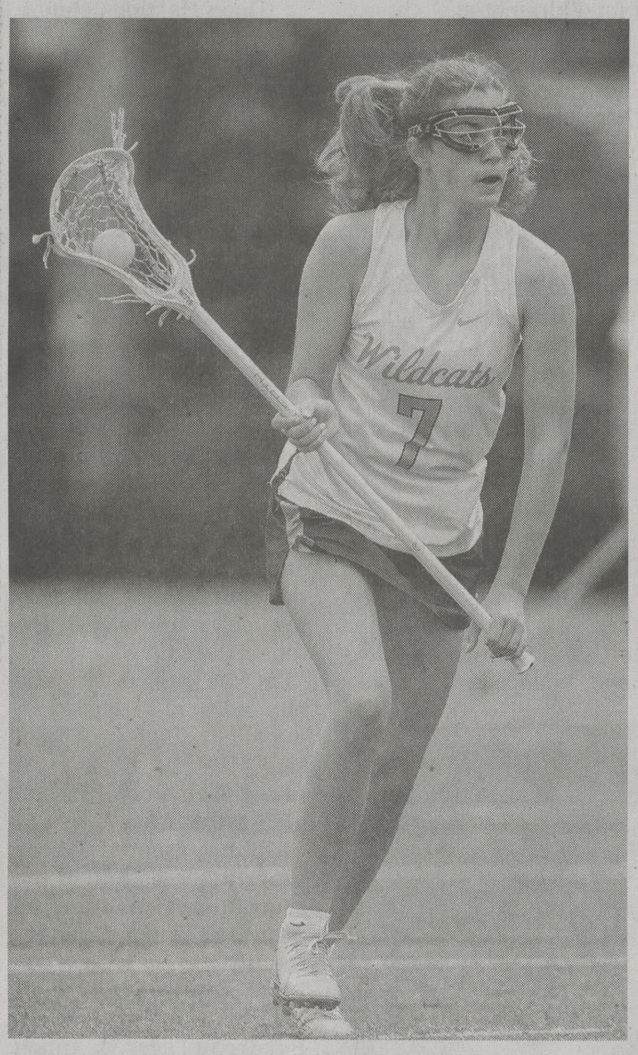
WHS opened the state tournament by beating Auburn on Saturday, 15-7.

The Wildcats were seeded 30th in the Div. 3 state tournament after a regular season that saw them finish 8-12 overall.

Wilmington topped Auburn, the 35th seed, before running into Bedford, the third seed.

The Wildcats end the year with a 9-13 overall record, but the team's grit and determination could easily be seen in the scores of its games.

Of the nine victories, seven were by one or two goals.



▲Wilmington's Lindsay Broussard carries the ball against the Auburn defense during Saturday's Division 3 girls lacrosse state tournament game. Wilmington earned a 15-7 win to advance in the bracket.
(Credit Image: James Thomas)

◀ Wilmington's Leah Murphy, rear, looks to get past Auburn's Katie Small during Saturday's Division 3 girls lacrosse state tournament game. Wilmington earned a 15-7 victory.
(Credit Image: James Thomas)

Track and field: Wildcats shine at Div. 4 state meet

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The Wilmington Boys and Girls Track and Field teams competed at the Division 4 State Meet at Merrimack College on Friday (May 30, 2025) and Sunday (June 1, 2025).

The boys were led by senior Ashvin Baker, who placed 6th in the 200 on Friday with a time of 22.87 and then 6th in the 400 on Sunday with a time of 50.79.

On Friday for the girls, Maddie Krueger was 10th in the discus with a distance of 86 feet and Julia Heller also competed.

Lexi LeBlanc was 14th in the 200-meter dash in 26.8 seconds and Maeve White took 29th in the 400 hurdles in 1:14.38.

Charlotte Kiley ran the two mile and placed 15th in 12:12.03.

For the boys, along with Baker, three Wildcats ran the two mile. Dean Ciampa was 14th in 10:09.55, Jake Cronin placed 25th in 10:37.46 and Gavin Dong was 28 th in 10:52.28.

In the triple jump, Marvins Jean took 16th with a distance of 40 feet, 3 inches and Cam Pereira was 21st with a leap of 39-7.5.

On Sunday, Abby Howie was 14th in the javelin with a distance of 88 feet, 11 inches.

Kaylin Mulik was 11th in the high jump, clearing 4 feet, 10 inches, and Kiley was 13th in the mile in 5:35.8.

Isabel Carriere was 30th in the 400 in 1:04.8.

The Wildcats had three relay teams compete.

The girls 4 x 800 relay of Leah Doucette, Josie O'Mahony, Bella Zaya and Kiley was 18th in 11:38.75.

The girls 4 x 100 relay of Kayleigh Walker, Lily McLaughlin, Avery King, Caroline Broussard was 20th in 53.67.

The girls 4 x 400 relay of Isabel Carriere, Celina Vo, Maeve White, Abby Joyce was 17th in 4:37.82.

For the boys, Pereira was 25 th in the 110 hurdles in 17.17, Martin Philiossaint was 19th in the 100 in 11.42 and Jean was 26 th in the long jump with a distance of 20 feet, 2.25 inches. Also long jumping was Jenks, who was 27th with a leap of 20-1.5, and Philiossaint.

Dean Ciampa competed in the mile and was 29th in 4:47.77 and two Wildcats ran the 400 as Baker was sixth and Cam Jenks was 21st in 54.18.

The boys also had three relay teams in action.

The 4 x 800 Relay team of Gavin Dong, Jake Cronin, Evan Cummings and Cooper Holleran was 13th in 8:54.42.

The 4x100 relay of Martin Philiossaint, Tyler Alfred, Ayden Bellevy and Cam Periera did not finish and the 4 x 400 relay of Cam Jenks, Dean Ciampa, Chase Heffernan and Ashvin Baker was 11th in 3:42.62.

Wilmington has six boys and six girls competing at the MSTCA Multi Championships at Regis College/Weston High School on Monday, June 9 and Tuesday, June 10.

Shawsheen Tech Roundup:

Ram baseball rebounds, eliminates Newburyport

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▲ Will Trach throws a pitch.
(Doug Hastings photo)

After a stunning loss in the state vocational semifinals, the Shawsheen Tech baseball team opened play in the Div. 3 state tournament with a 5-1 win over Newburyport.

The Rams improved to 21-1 overall on the season.

Will Trach pitched a complete game for Shawsheen, throwing seven innings, allowing six hits while striking out eight and walking three.

The Shawsheen defense avoided big trouble twice.

Bennett Beaulier led off the third with a double before Trach struck out Tommy Gagnon, Tim Degraves lined out to Nate Galanis and then Jack Oreal struck out to end the threat.

In the fourth, shortstop Dyllon Pratt and third baseman Jake Carr made nice plays on grounders and Galanis had a nice pair of plays in the fifth.

With one out, Clipper Ray Arcand smacked a single to right-center that Galanis fielded quickly and threw to second baseman Lukas Poirier, who cut off the throw in shallow centerfield before throwing to Pratt for the out at second base.

Galanis then caught the third out in right field to end the inning.

Newburyport had a chance in the sixth as Oreal and Parker Johnson hit back-to-back singles before Jack Mercier's RBI base hit to left scored Oreal. Ryan Sanchez walked to load the bases before Trach struck out Nick Garbarino, got Arcand to fly out to a charging Will Holloway in shallow left field and got Bennett Beaulier to ground out to Poirier at second to end the inning.

Newburyport went down quietly in the seventh as Oreal walked with two outs before Johnson grounded out to end the game.

Shawsheen took a 1-0 lead in the third.

Adam Caruso hit a one-out ground rule double to left. With two outs, Robbie Welch's grounder to second was thrown away for an error that allowed Caruso to race home.

The Rams added three more runs in the fourth.

Galanis doubled to lead off before Ryan Jamieson's terrific bunt single that rolled up the first-base line. After Jamieson stole second, Holloway hit a two-run single up the middle to make it 3-0.

After an error on a grounder by Trach, a grounder by Carr scored Holloway to make it 4-0.

In the fifth, Welch singled and took second on a passed ball. With two outs, pinch runner Eli Jimenez scored on a single by Jamieson that made it 5-0.

The Rams advance to play Wakefield in the Round of 16 at a date and time that have yet to be determined.

Before Newburyport, the Rams suffered their first loss of the season in the state vocational semifinals against Upton's Blackstone Valley Tech.

The game was tied 1-1 after three innings and trailed 2-1 heading into the sixth before Blackstone scored three runs in the top of the sixth to take command.

Trach pitched the first five innings for Shawsheen before Max Carpenter threw the last two frames.

Shawsheen scored its first run in the third.

With two outs, Poirier singled and Galanis drove him home with a double to tie the score.

In the bottom of the sixth, Jamieson drew a leadoff walk, but was stranded.

Michael Poschmann pitched a complete game for Blackstone, allowing five hits.

GIRLS LACROSSE

▼ Shawsheen Tech's Jude Sloman (17) advances the ball upfield during Tuesday's vocational girls lacrosse tournament game against Nashoba Tech. Shawsheen cruised to an 11-2 win.
(Credit Image: James Thomas)

▼ Shawsheen Tech's Fionna Rexford (11) advances the ball upfield during Tuesday's vocational girls lacrosse tournament game against Nashoba Tech. Shawsheen cruised to an 11-2 win.
(Credit Image: James Thomas)

The Shawsheen Tech girls lacrosse team won its first round in the MIAA tournament by a score of 11-9 against Saint Bernard's last week, but the Rams forfeited their second-round game against Newburyport.

In the win, Fiona Rexford had five goals, Judith Sloman and Izzy Ferguson had two goals each and Meaghan Warford, Lyla Dickinson and Brooke Newhouse all had one goal.

Mia Vacha had a great game in goal with seven saves.

Prior to the state tournament, Shawsheen won the state vocational title.

In the semifinals, the Rams beat Nashoba Tech of Westford by a score of 11-2 and then topped Tri County for the championship, 9-1.

In the semifinals, Sloman had four goals, Rexford had 3 goals, Warford had two goals and Cera Salter and Ferguson both had one goal each.

Against Tri County, Sloman and Salter each scored three goals while Warford, Rexford and Izzy Ferguson each scored one goal.

▲ Quinn Carbone celebrates a goal.
(Doug Hastings photo)

▲ Zack Timmons moves the ball for the Rams.
(Doug Hastings photo)

BOYS LACROSSE

With a 17-4 win over visiting Apponequet Regional, the Shawsheen Tech boys lacrosse team advanced to the Div. 3 state Round of 16 against Newburyport on Wednesday night.

Against Apponequet, Quinn Carbone had five goals and one assist and Bray Carbone had four goals and one assist to lead the offense.

Josh Baker and Jacoby Patterson each added two goals and three assists and individual goal scorers included Zack Timmons, Shaun Ricchi, Jack Martins, Tristan Lane and Charlie Shannon.

Nate Malandain had a solid game in goal for Shawsheen with 11 saves and the defense was led by Jake Giordano, Shane O'Neil and Harrison Shannon.

Along with its upcoming game with Newburyport, the Rams are also preparing for the state vocational title game against Whittier Tech.

In the semifinals, the Rams trounced Monty Tech, 20-1.

The day and time for the gane with Whittier has yet to be determined.

Lifestyle

Get tropical as June is National Papaya Month

By HEATHER BURNS
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Add a tropical flavor to your summer menus while elevating your nutritional intake by trying the versatile papaya fruit during National Papaya Month. (Heather Burns photo)

The warm summer months often create a perfect scenario for partaking in the refreshing tropical fruits that are in peak season this time of year.

For those looking for a versatile tropical taste to add to their summer menu, now is the perfect time to enjoy fresh, delicious papaya at its peak flavor during National Papaya Month.

Papayas, also known as Paw-Paws, grow in similar fashion as the pineapple and are in peak season May through September. They offer a sweet but very mild flavored fruit that tastes much like a cross between a mango, cantaloupe and a peach.

Despite the fact that many may have not yet experienced the pleasure of fresh papaya, it is the fourth most globally traded tropical fruit, following bananas, mangos and pineapples.

Originally native to the South and Central America and the Caribbean areas, today India leads the world in commercially grown papaya production, followed by Brazil, Indonesia, Nigeria, and Mexico.

Papaya is also commercially produced here in the U.S.A., in the state of Hawaii and in Puerto Rico.

The papaya has a rich history as both a part of Southern and Central American cuisine, but also for its therapeutic and medicinal properties.

Papayas were thought to be first discovered by Europeans in the 1500's by Spanish explorers traveling through the Caribbean coast of Panama and Columbia.

Legend has it that the papaya was a favorite fruit of Christopher Columbus for both its refreshing, sweet flavor and for its medicinal use of calming unwanted digestive problems.

Natives of South and Central America have used papaya for centuries to treat numerous symptoms and diseases and to promote an overall healthy life.

Besides relieving ailments of the digestive system, papaya was also used to treat fungal and parasitic infections, and applied as a topical treatment for cuts, burns and rashes.

Not only did natives use the fruit of the papaya, but leaves of the papaya plant were steamed and eaten as a side dish, and the root of the plant was often eaten raw or used as a tea to relieve inflammation pain.

Today, we know that native South Americans were not wrong in their thinking that the papaya would promote good health.

According to Medical News Today, the sweet flesh of the papaya is packed with nutritional value.

One medium papaya has 120 calories, with 30 grams of carbohydrate, 5 grams of fiber, 18 grams of sugar, and 2 grams of protein.

They are also a great source of vitamin A, B, E, and K, as well as folate, magnesium, copper, calcium, potassium, alpha and beta carotene, and lycopene, a powerful antioxidant.

Papaya is a commonly consumed fruit throughout the world, and is safe to eat when ripe.

But be aware that eating unripe papaya may come with some risk.

Medical News Today reports that unripe papaya contains small amounts of papain, an enzyme that can damage the esophagus when consumed in large quantities.

Also note that those with a latex allergy may also be allergic to papaya, and are advised to check with their doctor before adding papaya to their diet.

Buying and preparing a papaya may be intimidating for first timers trying this tropical fruit, but the rewarding flavor and nutritionally packed punch is worth the adventure into uncharted fruit purchasing territory.

When purchasing fresh papaya, look for fruits with a soft, reddish orange skin. Fruits with a green skin are still unripe.

To serve fresh papaya, wash the outer skin, then cut in half, scoop out seeds, and enjoy!

You can remove skin and dice into bite size pieces, or use a spoon and scoop the soft flesh of the fruit from the outer skin.

Although delicious on their own, the opportunities to add papaya to your daily diet are almost endless as its mild but sweet flavor mixes well in a variety of recipes.

At the breakfast table, enjoy papaya in fresh fruit cups, smoothies, or as a topping for yogurt, oatmeal, pancakes or waffles.

Papaya can also substitute other fruits in your favorite breakfast bread or muffin recipes.

For lunch, enjoy papaya mixed in your favorite salsa as a topping for burgers, burritos, or add a fruity Mexican flare to your favorite salad.

Because it pairs well with many savory dishes such as fish, beef, chicken or rice, papaya can add a Caribbean or Mexican flare to your otherwise ho-hum weeknight dinner menu.

What better way to end a summer cookout meal than with a refreshing papaya based cocktail or mocktail, or enjoy fresh papaya mixed with other tropical fruits and serve over ice cream.

With tropical temperatures soon to be in our weather forecast, National Papaya Month is the perfect time to experiment with this versatile fruit.

To find a great selection of recipes that feature papaya, visit *www.alrecipes.com/recipes/1123/fruits-and-vegetables/fruit/papayas*.

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OBITUARIES

Regina M. (Quinlan) DeRosa

Expressed creativity through love

Regina M. (Quinlan) DeRosa, of Wilmington and formerly of Reading passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family at the Kaplan Family Hospice House in Danvers on May 31, 2025.

Regina was bon on Sept. 25, 1961, in Winchester; she was the dear daughter of the late John and Delia (Thompson) Quinlan. Regina was raised and educated in Reading and a graduate of Reading High School with the class of 1979. Regina went on to continue her education at Merrimack College in North Andover and graduated with her degree in 1983.

Regina was the much beloved mother of Justin DeRosa and his wife Sharon of Colorado Springs, CO, Mark DeRosa of Wilmington and the late James DeRosa.

Regina was the cherished partner of Barry Power, of Woburn and loving sister of Barbara Quinlan of Beverly, Marjorie Quinlan and Kathleen Quinlan both of Reading, and the late Mary Quinlan.

Regina was married to John DeRosa of Ashland, from 1985 - 2010. She will also be sorely missed by her many close friends and neighbors.

Regina was employed at Mahoney's Garden Center in Tewksbury, where she expressed her creativity through her love of flowers. She was most recently employed as a pharmacy technician at CVS in Woburn. Regina enjoyed spending summers with her children and family in New Hampshire and Maine.

Family and friends gathered for Visiting Hours on Tuesday, June 3 from 5 - 8 p.m. at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington. Regina's Funeral Mass took place on Wednesday, June 4 at 10:30 a.m. in St. Thomas of Villanova Church, 126 Middlesex Ave., Wilmington, MA. All are welcome to attend Regina's interment on Saturday, June 7 at 10:30 a.m. in Forest Hills Cemetery, 112 Forest Hill Ave., Lynnfield.

In lieu of flowers, donation in Regina's memory may be made to the Kaplan Family Hospice House, 78 Liberty St., Danvers, MA 01923.

To leave a message of condolence for the family please visit our website at *www.nicholsfuneralhome.com*

Mary Gail (MacDonald) Ross

Avid reader and librarian, cook and gardener

Mary Gail (MacDonald) Ross, age 74, formerly a long-time resident of Wilmington, passed away at her current home in Port Charlotte, FL, on Feb. 16, 2025.

Mary Gail was born on May 21, 1950 in Waltham, as the daughter of the late Ernest & Cecelia MacDonald of Waltham, and is survived by her two cherished brothers, Glenn MacDonald of Atlanta, GA and Wayne MacDonald of Saco, ME.

Mary Gail was the beloved wife of the late Larry Ross Sr., devoted mother to her two sons Larry Jr. and Douglas, and doting grandmother to Julianna Ross, all of Port Charlotte, FL.

She is further survived by many loving nieces, nephews, and close friends, both old and new.

Mary Gail attended Waltham High School and Middlesex Community College in Lowell. She spent her life always embracing, caring for, and helping others. She was a beautiful woman inside and out with a heart of gold, a magnificent smile, and a genuine kindness that drew everyone to her.

Mary Gail refrained from drama but was always a comforting encourager when times were tough, and she made it easy to be her friend. She was an amazing homemaker, gardener, quilter, knitter, and avid reader and librarian, among many other things, like cooking and baking.

She was a culinary whiz, especially famous for her delicious chili and Scottish shortbread.

She was proud of her Scottish heritage and enjoyed attending the Highland Games, parades, historical events, life-honoring gatherings, and many other festive occasions with her beloved Larry Sr. who she was always there to support as a professional bag piper.

They were an inseparable couple; a perfect match from beginning to end. She loved her family more than anything.

Mary Gail took great pride in caring for her boys who grew up to be dignified yet humble men with integrity like their father. Her granddaughter lit up her world and she boasted about how intelligent, creative and talented Julianna is.

She especially enjoyed reunions and spending time with extended family and good friends. She was easy to be with and always fun to be around.

Mary Gail had the absolute best laugh and brought so much joy to so many lives, including her precious Jack Russell's: the great, late Ernie, and her sweet surviving Ladybug. They were both a big part of the family and her favorite thing to do was walking them along the harbor.

Mary Gail had faith in God, true belief in Heaven, and looked forward to being with the Lord and reuniting with loved ones there, especially the love of her life, Larry.

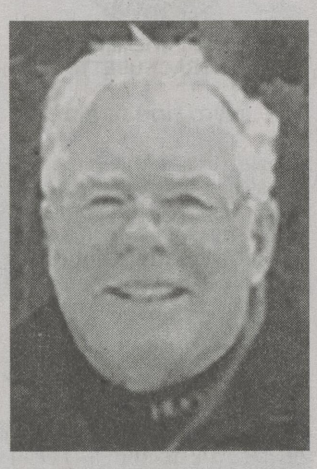
She enjoyed learning about God and His promises. She was a woman of unwavering strength and remarkable independence. Mary Gail is an inspiration who will forever live on in the hearts of those she loved.

Family and friends are welcome to gather for a Service to celebrate Mary Gail's life at the Nichols Funeral Home, 187 Middlesex Ave. (Rte. 62) Wilmington on Saturday, June 7 at 1 p.m. All will be encouraged to share a story or precious memory in her honor. She will be laid to rest with her beloved Larry in a private burial service.

Arrangements are under the direction of the Nichols Funeral Home, Wilmington, MA. To leave a message of condolence for the family please visit their website at *www.nicholsfuneralhome.com*

William P. McNamara

Served in the Army Reserves



William P. McNamara, of Lunenburg, passed away on May 28, 2025. He was 83.

Born in Boston and raised in Somerville, he was the son of the late Mary (Buckley) and Thomas McNamara.

He served honorably in the Army Reserves and then began his career with the Harvard University Police Department. He retired as a Sergeant following 43 years of service.

William was the husband of the late Anne (Mitchell) McNamara and father of Kelly DiNapoli of Tewksbury, William P. McNamara, Jr. and his wife Karen of Billerica and Kristen Hyslop and her husband John of Tewksbury.

Grandfather of Michael and Kaitlyn DiNapoli, Addison, Sydney and Kassidy Hyslop. Bill is further survived by his significant other Diane Sheerer of Lunenburg and her daughters Irene Butler of Leominster and Lisa Sheerer of Dracut.

Funeral Procession from the George L. Doherty Funeral Home, 855 Broadway (Powder House Sq.) Somerville on Friday morning, June 6 at 10 a.m. followed by a Funeral Mass celebrated in St. Joseph Church, Union Sq. Somerville at 11 a.m. Relatives and friends invited to attend.

Calling Hours will be held Thursday, June 5 from 4 to 7 p.m.

Services will conclude with burial at Puritan Lawn Cemetery, Peabody.

TJ Callahan's Pub in Tewksbury to be featured on America's Best Restaurants

TEWKSBURY — Local eatery TJ Callahan's will be hosting visits from America's Best Restaurants (ABR) in early June 2025.

America's Best Restaurants, a national media and marketing company focusing on bringing attention to local, independently-owned restaurants, will bring its ABR Roadshow to the restaurant on June 5. Popular dishes will be highlighted, along with an extensive on-camera interview with owner Dawn Callahan about the restaurant's special place in the community.

The episode will be aired extensively on social media channels at a later date.

With a from-scratch menu, live entertainment weekly and a large selection of draft beers, TJ Callahan's is a popular community gathering spot that has been a bar since the 60s but under Callahan's ownership since 2006.

The pub-style menu offers starters, salads, wings, soups, burgers and sandwiches, mac and cheese and entrees. They also have banquet space with catering and numerous special events.

Callahan is hopeful that her episode will bring her recognition and a way to showcase that to the community that they are a family-friendly environment with a great menu.

"We call ourselves a five star dive bar," Callahan says. "It's a dive bar with really good food."

Popular menu items that may be featured on the episode include the Buffalo Mac & Cheese, handcrafted burgers such as the Sunny-Side Up, topped with cheese, bacon and egg; and classic pub fare such as fish and chips and the Fisherman's Reuben, battered and fried haddock with Swiss cheese, coleslaw and Thousand Island dressing on grilled rye.

In 2021, the Wilmington/Tewksbury Chamber of Commerce awarded Callahan the Carmon Cunningham Business Legacy Award for her "business success and generosity to the community," recognizing the wide array of fundraisers and volunteer efforts she organizes regularly.

America's Best Restaurants will be filming on location on Thursday June 5 from 9 a.m. to noon. The press is invited to attend. The restaurant's finished episode premiere date will be announced on their Facebook page and will be featured on America's Best Restaurants' website.

Restaurants featured on the ABR Roadshow are selected based on their customer reviews, menu items, social media presence, and level of involvement with their community. They are found through customer nominations, internal vetting or by a restaurant applying to be featured at *www.americasbestrestaurants.com*.

About TJ Callahan's Pub:

Open daily, TJ Callahan's Pub is located at 1475 Main St, Tewksbury MA 01876. Telephone is (978) 863-0121. For more information visit *www.tjcallahanspub.com*.

About ABR:

Headquartered in Florence, KY, America's Best Restaurants is a national media and restaurant marketing company that travels the country telling the stories and highlighting the unique food of locally owned independent restaurants as part of their ABR Roadshow. Restaurants are featured not only on ABR's Restaurant Network of social media channels and website, but also each individual establishment's Facebook page.

With over 2000 episodes filmed, America's Best Restaurants is the premier marketing agency for restaurant owners and operators to have their story broadcast coast-to-coast.

Visit *AmericasBestRestaurants.com* to learn more and to view the episodes and profiles of hundreds of America's Best Restaurants!

Massachusetts ranked best state economy in country

BOSTON — Governor Maura Healey and Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll are celebrating that Massachusetts was recently ranked the best state economy in the country, citing the state's dominance in industry and academic research and development, as well as its unmatched talent.

WalletHub compared state dynamics across 28 relevant metrics, including unemployment rate, change in GDP, exports per capita and start-up activity. Massachusetts was praised in particular for having the highest share of jobs in high-tech industries, the second-most invention patents per capita and the third-highest share of STEM professionals.

"Massachusetts is number one for education, health care and innovation. We're the best state to be a woman, to have a baby and to be a working parent. So, it's no surprise that we also have the best state economy," said Governor Healey. "This recognition is a testament to the incredible businesses, universities and research institutions that drive our innovation economy and to the top-notch talent that continues to choose Massachusetts as the place to grow their careers and their futures. As Governor, I'm going to continue to work every day to maintain our top spot by lowering costs, growing our leadership in cutting-edge industries like applied AI, life sciences and climatetech, building more housing, and supporting workforce development."

"Governor Healey and I are all about Team Massachusetts, and this team just keeps on winning," said Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll. "It's great to see a national organization acknowledging the strong economy we have built here, driven by talented innovators and entrepreneurs all across our state. We know there is still more work to do to make our state more affordable and competitive, and we're getting after it every day."

From day one, Gov. Healey has prioritized making Massachusetts more affordable, growing the state's economy and increasing competitiveness. Last year, she signed the Mass Leads Act to make Massachusetts a global leader in emerging industries like climatetech and applied artificial intelligence (AI), while also building on the success of the state's renowned life sciences sector. This economic development bill will create jobs, support business growth, expand workforce development programs and invest in rural and regional economic development initiatives.

Just last month, Boston was highlighted in Dealroom's 2025 Global Tech Ecosystem Index report for its leading technology ecosystem, particularly in areas such as Deep tech and AI.

Gov. Healey has also directed historic funding to Massachusetts schools, especially colleges and universities that drive the state's innovation and research-based economy. She has increased financial aid at public four-year colleges and universities, made community college free, and expanded workforce development opportunities, including through career and technical education schools, Early College and apprenticeships.

Gov. Healey also recently eliminated a series of regulations to save businesses and business owners time and money, making it easier to do business in the state.

Since Gov. Healey took office in January 2023, the number of Massachusetts residents who are employed has grown strongly — up 3.5 percent as of April 2025. This growth is much faster than the U.S. average and is the seventh highest of any state in the nation. Massachusetts has also had the 5th fastest growth in the labor force, which has grown by 174,802 in that time period, with a Labor Force Participation Rate at 66.7 percent, which is the ninth highest in the U.S.

Massachusetts has also been ranked the number one state for education, innovation, health care, working moms and dads, and women, as well as the best state to live in, to have a baby, raise a family and retire.

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THE TRIAL COURT
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MIDDLESEX DIVISION

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

Docket No. MI25P2693EA

Estate of:
Lois E Murphy
Also Known As:
Lois Murphy
Date of Death: June 05, 2024

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Eugene M Murphy, Jr of Tewksbury MA** a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Eugene M Murphy, Jr of Tewksbury MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

MIDDLESEX DIVISION

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

Docket No. MI25P2350EA

Estate of:
Paul C McNaught
Also Known As:
Paul McNaught
Date of Death:
February 23, 2025

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Kathleen Patton of Bourne MA** a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Kathleen Patton of Bourne MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY, MASSACHUSETTS
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed Bids for **ASPHALT ROAD REPAIRS, Contract PW-25-13**, will be received by the Town of Tewksbury at the Department of Public Works office, 999 Whipple Road, Tewksbury, MA 01876, until 10:00 AM, on June 12, 2025 at that time and place bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Work under this contract shall consist of asphalt road repairs for the purpose of select road repairs on various Town roads owned by the Town.

Contract Documents are available after 1:00 PM local time on Thursday, May 27, 2025 by sending an e-mail request to Assistant Director, David Lizotte at dlizotte@tewksbury-ma.gov No monetary deposit is required to obtain electronic documents. Contract Documents may also be examined, but not obtained, at the DPW office during the following hours: 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Town of Tewksbury

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

SPECIAL PERMIT
SITE PLAN REVIEW,
LAND DISTURBANCE PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **June 16, 2025 at 7:10 PM** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by **Asphalt Services, Inc. on behalf of 911 East LLC** for a Site Plan Review pursuant to Section 3.6 and Special Permit under Section 3.5 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw, as well as a Land Disturbance Permit pursuant to Chapter 19 of the General Bylaw to construct a 7,630 SF steel garage to operate a contractor's yard and office space for an asphalt company as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 913 East Street, Assessor's Map 102, Lot 52, zoned Industrial I.

The application may be examined on the Planning Board webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Stephen Johnson, Chairman

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

FAMILY SUITE
SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **June 16, 2025 at 7:05 PM** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Elaine Krauss for a Family Suite Special Permit pursuant to Section 7.1 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct an addition to the single family dwelling for a family suite as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 85 Lowe Street, Assessor's Map 100, Lot 27, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined on the Planning Board webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Stephen Johnson, Chairman

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
MASSACHUSETTS

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids for furnishing and installing the following item: **Crack Repair and Resurfacing of the Wilmington High School Tennis & Basketball Courts** will be received at the Office of the Town Manager, Wilmington Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA 01887 until the time specified below at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read. Bid Specifications may be obtained at the Town's website: https://www.wilmingtonma.gov/purchasing-department Bids will be opened in the Office of the Town Manager on:

July 8, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

If the contract awarded is more than $25,000, the winning bidder shall supply a payment bond and performance bond in the amount of 100% of the total bid within 10 days of the bid award. Payment and Performance bonds must be issued by a surety that is qualified to do business under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and satisfactory to the Town of Wilmington.

All bids for this project are subject to applicable public bidding laws of Massachusetts, including, but not limited to G.L. c.30, §39M.

Attention is directed to the minimum wage rates to be paid as determined by the Commissioner of Labor and Workforce Development and the weekly payroll record submittal requirements under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 149, Section 26 through 27D inclusive.

Selection of the contractor will be based upon bidder qualifications, including evidence of past performance in similar projects, and bid price. The contract will be awarded to the bidder deemed by the awarding authority to be the lowest responsible and eligible bidder.

The bidder agrees that its bid shall be good and may not be withdrawn for a period of 30 days, Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays excluded, after the opening of the bids.

The Town reserves the right to waive any informalities, to accept or reject, in whole or in part any or all bids, or take whatever other action may be deemed to be in the best interest of the Town.

The Town of Wilmington
By: R. Eric Slagle
Town Manager

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TEWKSBURY VFW
POST 8164
CHARITY MOTORCYCLE RUN

The Tewksbury VFW, post 8164 is doing a charity ride with proceeds to support local veterans, and to acknowledge veterans suicide awareness through the Mohawk 22 Organization as well as the Tewksbury Elementary and High School scholarship programs. The ride will start at Billerica Harley Davidson and end at TJ Callahan's in Tewksbury. Tewksbury Police will provide the escort. A buffet is included after the ride. Please bring cash for raffles items and a 50/50 raffle. Please purchase tickets ahead of time so we can plan for the food. THANK YOU!

WHERE: High Octane Harley Davidson, 1 Chelmsford Road, Billerica, MA

WHEN: Saturday, **June 28, 2025**

TIME: Registration starts at 0900 AM; **Kick Stands up at 1100 AM**

COST: $20 per rider, $10 per passenger, **PLEASE pay via the VENMO link.** @VFWPOST-8164, Cash accepted day of.

HIGH OCTANE HARLEY-DAVIDSON Billerica, MA

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TJ Callahan's Pub

Students named to Dean's List at Springfield College

SPRINGFIELD — Springfield College has named **Kaitlyn Doherty from Wilmington** to the dean's list for academic excellence for the 2025 spring semester.

Doherty has a primary major of Health Science.

Springfield College has named **Madison Mulas from Wilmington** to the dean's list for academic excellence for the 2025 spring semester.

Mulas has a primary major of Computer Science/ Crim Just.

Springfield College has named **Amanda Sullivan from Wilmington** to the dean's list for academic excellence for the 2025 spring semester.

Sullivan has a primary major of Criminal Justice.

Springfield College has named **Victoria Catanzano from Tewksbury** to the dean's list for academic excellence for the 2025 spring semester.

Catanzano has a primary major of English.

Springfield College has named **William McKay from Tewksbury** to the dean's list for academic excellence for the 2025 spring semester.

McKay has a primary major of Physical Education.

The criteria for selection to the Dean's List are as follows: The student must have completed a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded coursework for the term, exclusive of "P" grades. The student must not have any incompletes or missing grades in the designated term. The student must have a minimum semester grade average of 3.500 for the term. Student must not have been barred from Dean's List due to disciplinary action.

LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate and Family Court
10-U Commerce Way
Woburn, MA 01801

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

Docket No. MI25P2928GD

In the matter of:
SUSAN SWEENEY
Of:Tewksbury, MA
RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by **TARA VISTA BEHAVIORAL HEALT of DEVENS, MA** in the above captioned matter alleging that **SUSAN SWEENEY** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that **Michael Sweeney of North Billerica, MA** (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **06/26/2025.** This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug Cafazzo, First Justice of this Court.

Date: May 29, 2025

Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

Middlesex Probate and Family Court
10-U Commerce Way
Woburn, MA 01801
(781) 865-4000

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. MI25P0423EA

Estate of:
Keiko Kuroda Stack
Also known as:
Keiko K Stack
Date of Death: 10/19/2024

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Michael Stack** of **Lowell MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Ken E Stack** of **Lyman SC** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: **10:00 a.m. on the return day of 06/27/2025.**

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Terri L. Klug Cafazzo, First Justice of this Court. Date: May 30, 2025

Tara E. DeCristofaro,
Register of Probate

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
BOARD OF APPEALS

A public hearing will be held at the Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Room 9 on **Wednesday, June 11th, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.** on the following applications:

CASE #5-25
41 MORSE AVE
MAP 48 PARCEL 18

APPLICANT: CENTRAL HOME INVESTMENT LLC
SPECIAL PERMIT TO EXTEND A ALREADY NON-CONFORMING STRUCTURE PURSUANT TO 6.1.6.4 ALSO UNDER GROUND WATER PROTECTION DISTRICT PURSUANT TO 6.6.7.7

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LEGAL NOTICE

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT

MIDDLESEX DIVISION

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

Docket No. MI25P2815EA

Estate of: Helen M. Clancy
Date of Death: April 19, 2025

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of Petitioner **Lisa M. Bertolami** of **Wilmington MA** a Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Lisa M. Bertolami of **Wilmington MA** has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF WILMINGTON
MASSACHUSETTS

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

A NON-EXCLUSIVE LEASE OF THE USE OF SPACE AT NASSAU AVENUE WATER STORAGE TANK FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM PURPOSES

The Town of Wilmington, Massachusetts, acting through its Town Manager and Water & Sewer Commission (the "Town"), is accepting sealed proposals by interested parties for the leasing of a site at a Town-owned water storage tank located at the Nassau Avenue Water Storage Tank, Eagle Road in Wilmington, MA 01887 for the purpose of installing wireless communications facilities and related apparatus. This Request for Proposals ("RFP") is made pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.), Chapter 30B, Section 16 pertaining to lease of real property.

The complete RFP may be obtained on May 29, 2025, electronically by visiting the Town of Wilmington website https://www.wilmingtonma.gov/purchasing-department until the scheduled submission date.

Sealed proposals clearly labeled "A Non-Exclusive Lease of the Use of Space at Nassau Avenue Water Storage Tank for Telecommunications System Purposes" will be received in the office of the Town Manager, R. Eric Slagle, Town Hall, 121 Glen Road, Wilmington, MA until 10:00 A.M. on June 12, 2025.

Late responses will not be accepted. The Town shall not be responsible for proposals arriving late due to couriers, deliveries to wrong locations, express mailing services etc. or any reason whatsoever. Postmarks will not be considered. Proposals submitted via email or fax will not be considered.

The Town of Wilmington does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, religion, age or disability in employment for the provision of services. The Town reserves the right to reject any responses or any part thereof in response to this RFP or take any other action as the Town may deem to be in its best interest.

R. Eric Slagle,
Town Manager

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LEGAL NOTICE

TOWN OF TEWKSBURY
PLANNING BOARD

PUBLIC HEARING

FAMILY SUITE
SPECIAL PERMIT

Notice is hereby given that the Tewksbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on **June 16, 2025 at 7:00 PM** in the Tewksbury Town Hall, 1009 Main Street, Tewksbury, MA 01876 on an application filed by Michelle Maguire on behalf of Kaitlyn O'Brien for a Family Suite Special Permit pursuant to Section 7.1 of the Tewksbury Zoning Bylaw to construct an addition to the single family dwelling for a family suite as shown on plans filed with this Board.

Said property is located at 130 Rounsevell Road, Assessor's Map 109, Lot 39, zoned Residential.

The application may be examined on the Planning Board webpage of the Town of Tewksbury's website at www.tewksbury-ma.gov. Should other accommodations be necessary to view the application, please call the Community Development Office at 978-640-4370. Legal Notice can also be viewed on www.masspublicnotices.org

Stephen Johnson, Chairman

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Resident questions motives of allowing early voting before public comment at Town Meeting

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lots and begin early voting as soon as the ballots are received, and early voting would end around Sept. 5.

Feeney pressed for a specific length of time that early voting would take place. Slagle explained that the town clerk would determine the dates. Chair Frank West suggested it could run for about a week.

Feeney went on to share her opinion that "the town is pushing this down everyone's throat" by allowing early voting before the public comments are heard at the special Town Meeting. She also questioned the indetermined amount of time for early voting to take place.

She restated her claim that the audience at the Wildwood School Building Committee meetings was promised that a ballot vote would only take place if the special Town Meeting vote on Sept. 13 reaches a 2/3 majority.

Slagle replied that they would post the dates of early voting on the town website as soon as they are determined. He also explained that there is no requirement to hold the special Town Meeting vote before the ballot vote, and the town could have decided to hold the ballot vote first.

Feeney then asked who set the votes this way, and Slagle answered that the Select Board set the dates of the special Town Meeting and ballot vote in January.

Kevin Caira proposed that they seek the answer on whether the ballot vote should take place if the special Town Meeting vote fails from town counsel KP|Law. He posited that the vote would be moot in that case. He also wondered what would happen if the ballot passed but Town Meeting vote failed.

Slagle said that he would reach out to KP|Law to ask these questions. However, he later shared that faced with this situation in the past, the procedure was to hold the ballot vote as planned either way.

Feeney spoke up again to suggest that the town's voting plan was in effort to ensure that the vote passes.

Lilia Maselli clarified that early voting allows people the opportunity to vote against the ballot as well as for it. She expressed that the town was not trying to "scam" anyone or "shove anything down anybody's throat."

Feeney asked which vote mattered more. West stated that both votes are required and, therefore, equally important.

Feeney also asked when a tax impact calculator would be made available to residents for the project. Slagle said that they could prepare that once they receive the MSBA's reimbursement amount on June 18.

Feeney lastly added that she was disappointed that every board member voted in favor of the early voting for the ballot vote, and she invited anyone opposed to the MSBA project to reach out to her.

Kevin MacDonald later made a public comment suggesting that there was a "bait and switch" tactic used, where the project was introduced as a new preschool and kindergarten school but then turned into a "mega school."

He also called the North Intermediate School, one of several schools being replaced by the proposed project, structurally sound, and said that the vote for early voting was irresponsible.

Flea market a part of event

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the New England area, and board members are anticipating the parade to be a fun family event for all to experience.

The parade will line up on Saturday morning on Jewell Drive in Wilmington, and begin promptly at 10 a.m. on Eames Street, then turn right onto Main Street (Rt. 38) to Wilmington Center, then proceeds right on Rt. 62 to Federal Street, to Concord Street, ending at the All People Church.

After the parade, the participating fire apparatus will be on display in the parking lot of the church for the public to view, and many fire apparatus owners and "crew" will be available to answer questions and relate details about each vehicle.

A Firematic Flea Market will also be set up in the parking lot of the church, and consists of dozens of vendors selling fire related gifts, toys, collectables, antiques and more.

This is a great place to find unusual or hard to find antique firefighting equipment, toys, diecast, books and collectables.

The Market will be open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and all fire apparatus will be on display from the arrival time after the parade of approximately 11 a.m. until 2 pm.

There will also be model

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Resident wants respect for abutters

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houses on Powder House Circle was caused by lack of thorough planning. Slagle reported that they expanded the parking lot by three feet, and there was still a 30-foot buffer to any residential home. Jenkins simply asked that respect be shown to the comments and concerns of abutters moving forward.

Caira also mentioned that they calculated 324 parking spaces for the building which he said was more than adequate.

West said that the town would work with the town manager and school department for parking needs.

Maselli later restated that the 75-100 parking spaces are not needed daily, but only for elections, and there would be no additional construction to add to the parking lot at the new town hall/school administration building.

Concerns over senior center cost

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ing their time attending the Building Reuse Committee meetings, as this committee would have no say on non-municipal uses; they would merely recommend either that the building be kept or torn down.

Rob Fasulo asked for an update on the town seeking an exemption from the MBTA Communities Act. Slagle answered that KP|Law was still preparing their verified complaint, but he anticipated it being filed reasonably soon.

Fasulo stated that it had been four weeks since the no vote at the Town Meeting and yet no action had been taken in this regard. He also asked about the result of a vote at an executive session of the board on March 24, supposing that the board was in favor of filing the exemption at that time but went on to hold the vote on the multi-family as of right zoning district at Town Meeting.

He suggested that this being brought back up for Town Meeting vote was an insult to residents who voted against it in May and December of 2024.

Kevin MacDonald shared concerns in public comment about the cost of the new senior center being $17 million when he recalled voting to authorize the town spending $14 million. He asked that the town think about the potential impact on residents who can't afford the tax increase to be created by the MSBA project if passed. He also suggested that the Sciarappa Farms deal would cost the town closer to $30 million.

The Salute to Service that night went out to all servicemen and servicewomen killed or missing in action from any conflict, in honor of Memorial Day. The board will meet next on June 9.

Operations Supervisor PT 14 - DPW
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The Town of Winchester seeks qualified candidates for a full-time Operations Supervisor position available at the Department of Public Works. Complete job description is available online at www.winchester.us. Up to five years of experience in public works construction and maintenance with supervisory responsibility. Detailed knowledge of the town and the road system. Thorough knowledge of materials, methods and techniques relative to road construction and maintenance. Proven leadership, organization and problem-solving abilities.

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Cameron, Naughton named to Dean's List at Champlain

BURLINGTON, VT — **Ciara Cameron of Wilmington** and **Seamus Naughton of Tewksbury** were named to the Champlain College Dean's List for the Spring 2025 semester.

Students on the Dean's List have achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or higher during the semester. Cameron is currently majoring in Filmmaking.

Making the Dean's List is a tremendous achievement. Many of the high achievers balance their career-focused classes with jobs, internships, clubs, and volunteering. We congratulate them on this great accomplishment and honor.

Founded in 1878, Champlain College is a small, not-for-profit, private college in Burlington, Vermont, with additional campuses in Montreal, Canada, and Dublin, Ireland. Champlain offers a residential undergraduate experience from its beautiful campus overlooking Lake Champlain.

Additionally, Champlain College Online provides an expansive portfolio of online degrees and certificates, reaching students across all 50 states and U.S. territories, while fostering strategic partnerships with forward-thinking workforce organizations.

The College is known for its distinctive and innovative approach to career-focused education and its Upside-Down Curriculum, which helps students be ready for work, ready for life, and ready to make a difference. Champlain is ranked as one of the "Best Colleges" by U.S. News & World Report for 2025, and was named one of the "Best 390 Colleges" by The Princeton Review for 2025, including among its "Best Northeastern colleges."

For more information, visit *www.champlain.edu*.

Awards to be announced at event

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builders and food for sale by private vendors that you can enjoy while browsing the event.

At the end of the day, awards will be announced for the outstanding fire apparatus in multiple categories.

Admission to the parade, flea market and fire apparatus display is free, and both the parade and show will take place rain or shine.

The MAFAA board members welcome the public to celebrate the history of firefighting at this family fun event and to participate in the historical education the MAFAA has to offer.

Currently, the MAFAA has approximately 150 members, and welcomes anyone with an interest in the history of fire service or antique vehicles to join. You do not have to own a fire apparatus to become a member, just an interest in preserving the rich history of fire fighting .

For more information about this organization or becoming a member, visit *www.massmafaa.com*.

Bolanos awarded Angelo Giuseppe Scholarship

WILMINGTON — At its May meeting, the Angelo Giuseppe Roncalli Lodge of Wilmington held its annual Scholarship Dinner. This year's meal was catered by Kitty's Restaurant of North Reading and consisted of chicken parmesan, cheese ravioli, rigatoni, meatballs and salad and rolls. Dessert, a strawberry shortcake decorated with real whipped cream and chocolate covered fresh strawberries, was provided by Spinelli's Bakery of Lynnfield.

Christian Bolanos, Jr., a member for several years, was awarded a $2,000 graduate scholarship. Bolanos, son of members Jennifer and Christian Bolanos and oldest grandchild of long time members Michael and Jane Caira, is a graduate of Wilmington High School, who pursued his education at St. Anselm's College in a 4+1 Graduate Program, majoring in Criminal Justice and Psychology.

While at St. A's, he was the Treasurer of the Gaming Association for three years and a member of the Criminal Justice Club for four years. During his junior year he studied abroad in Italy. Bolanos recently finished a successful internship at Woburn District Court's Probation Office.

The members of Wilmington OSDIA congratulate Christian Bolanos on earning his Master's Degree. He was honored to receive the Scholarship Award in memory of Past President Jerry Pupa, a beloved member of the Lodge for 45 years and a member of the Roncalli Trust for 20 years.

Demoulas and several others reportedly placed on leave without notice

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In last week's action, the board of directors issued their own statement, suggesting the move to place Demoulas on leave was done to "safeguard" the company.

A May 28 press release issued by a public relations agency based in Washington DC and Boston and a strategic communications consulting group based in Cambridge said that "the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors placed CEO and minority shareholder Arthur T. Demoulas and several other employees on paid administrative leave while an investigation is conducted."

The press release went on to say, "The investigation will include a review of credible allegations that Mr. Demoulas began to plan a disruption of the business and operations of Market Basket with a work stoppage. The Executive Committee believes that Mr. Demoulas and others have taken these steps as improper retaliation for the Board's directives requiring the CEO to work with the Board regarding the most basic corporate oversight and to provide the Board access to key employees.

"Mr. Demoulas has also resisted an appropriate succession plan for Market Basket, asserting that he has the unilateral right to appoint his children to succeed him without any consideration of the view of the Board or the majority owners of Market Basket."

In the statement, Steven J. Collins, a board member and managing director of a private equity firm, said, "Market Basket stores provide a place that our local communities consistently count on for both their livelihoods and daily needs — the Board has a responsibility to safeguard the company's effective operations now and well into the future."

According to local reports, Demoulas, his son and daughter, along with executives Joe Schmidt and Thomas Gordon were placed on leave without prior notification, in a move board chair Jay Hachigian told CBS Boston News was "due to Arthur's inability to allow the board to conduct the oversight it's legally required to do."

Hachigian is a founding partner of an international law firm.

In an interview with WCVB, executive board member Michael Keyes, senior executive of acquisitions for a large real estate investment firm, stated he had to use a navigation app to find the headquarters and has waited several years to get basic budget information and access to senior management.

According to the BOD statement, "the Board will rely on the existing dedicated management team at Market Basket to ensure that the operations of the 90 stores will be uninterrupted and maintain the quality, experience, and superb service that customers expect and enjoy. There will be no changes for the company's dedicated associates in their jobs, salaries and benefits, including the company's profit-sharing plan, and the ownership of the business will not change."

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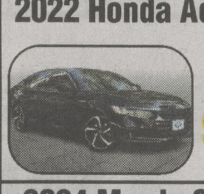
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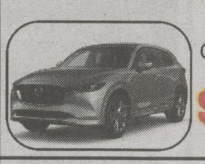
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